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TOWN REPORT

1956

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Town Officers

Moderator

Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk

Horace F. Field

Town Treasurer

Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

Robert P. Barnes, Chmn.	Term expires March 1957
Wallace E. Stange	Term expires March 1958
William M. Marshall	Term expires March 1959

Assessors

Winthrop E. Spencer	Term expires March 1957
Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1958
Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term expires March 1959

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term expires March 1957

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chmn.	Term expires March 1957
Evelyn U. True	Term expires March 1958
Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires March 1959

Library Trustees

Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1957
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term expires March 1957
Jean P. Hatheway	Term expires March 1958
Horace Henry Morse	Term expires March 1958
Louise M. Reeves	Term expires March 1959
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1959

Cemetery Commissioners

Murray M. Hammond	Term expires March 1957
Carlton W. Holton	Term expires March 1958
David G. Quinn	Term expires March 1959

Tree Warden

Kenneth L. Miller	Term expires March 1957

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen submit the following report on the 1956 business of the Town as authorized by vote in Town Meeting:

Spencer Bros. submitted the lowest bid on the Nurse's car trade-in and received the contract.

Chapter 90 construction was delayed until too late to start new construction by the late date of appropriation of State funds and consequent receipt of the contract in December. Date of completion of this work has been extended to June.

New Snow Plows and a Sander make our snow removal equipment interchangeable, and this does help to minimize the delay from break-downs. Snow removal cost jumped to $12,505 for 1956 which is more than we have ever spent for snow removal before. Snow and ice depleted our fund early and money for this purpose was transferred by the Finance Committee, and by vote of a special Town Meeting.

Raymond C. Waterman was the successful bidder on the #6 Schoolhouse and took title to the same in December.

The Town Clock was electrified as authorized by vote of the Town Meeting, but not to the satisfaction of any one, consequently payment has been withheld pending satisfactory operation.

The Northfield-Erving witness bound on the bank of the Connecticut River has been straightened and the #2 bound has been located, and a map of this location provided for use in future perambulations of the bounds.

The Northfield-Gill #10 bound location has been surveyed and marked by an iron pin. When weather and ground conditions permit a permanent stone will be set.

A suitable plan for flood lighting the War Memorial has been prepared by a committee, and work will be completed as soon as conditions permit.

The following is an accounting of Chapter 81 expenditures for 1956:

Northfield—Chapter 81 1956

1.	Warwick Ave.	2,726.27	39. So. Mountain Rd. 2,263.21
2.	Warwick Rd.	86.80	40. Fisher Rd. 72.40
3.	Commonwealth Ave.	308.60	41. Four Mile Brook Rd. 617.76
4.	Gulf Rd.	1,035.86	42. Gill Rd. 442.25
5.	Murdock Hill Rd.	581.40	43. Pine Meadow Rd. 1,136.59
6.	Swamp Rd.	17.50	44. Branch Rds. 50.40
7.	Orange Rd.	1,057.60	45. State Hwy. —
8.	Mt. Hermon Sta. Rd.	392.80	46. Cross Rd. —
9.	E. Northfield Branch Rd.	—	47. East St. —
10.	East Northfield Rd.	212.40	48. Northfield Farms Rd. 1,746.79
11.	Pine St.	222.36	49. Sturbridge Rd. 29.60
12.	Winchester Rd.	1,321.98	50. Dickinson St. 916.23
13.	Pearson Rd.	2,564.35	51. Bennett Brook Rd. —
14.	Wanamaker Rd.	—	52. Glenwood Ave. —
15.	Ashuelot Rd.	159.60	53. Munns Ferry Rd. —
16.	Moody St.	60.00	54. Myrtle St. 48.40
17.	Birnam Rd.	279.40	55. North Lane 594.75
18.	Holton St.	189.09	56. Aldrich St. 85.80
19.	Highland Ave.	588.71	57. Howard St. 118.94
20.	Caldwell Rd.	272.10	58. Prospect Hill Rd. —
21.	River Rd.	91.20	59. Slate Rd. 36.40
22.	Randall Rd.	59.20	60. Jewett Rd. —
23.	Vernon Rd.	301.28	61. Gerrish Rd. 80.30
24.	Parker St.	88.40	62. South Mt. Br. Rd. 51.90
25.	Great Meadow Rd.	127.52	63. Linden Ave. —
26.	Meadow St.	—	64. Adams Rd. —
27.	Bridge St.	33.60	65. Holly Ave. 133.40
28.	Mill St.	—	66. Woodruff Rd. 130.10
29.	School St.	78.78	67. Old Ferry Rd. 56.40
30.	St. Mary's St.	60.30	Signs 103.20
31.	Alexander Hill Rd.	348.10	Total $22,750.00
32.	Pratt Hollow Rd.	—	
33.	Maple St.	28.00	
34.	Beers Plain Rd.	45.58	**Allotments:**
35.	New Rd.	116.90	State $17,875.00
36.	Old Wendell Rd.	306.20	Town 4,875.00
37.	Lyman Rd.	59.20	
38.	Lucky Clapp Rd.	212.10	Total $22,750.00

A full report of the several Departments will be found on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. BARNES, Chairman
WALLACE E. STANGE
WILLIAM M. MARSHALL

June

2—Thompson, Robert Paul	Turners Falls	
Gallant, Carol Adrienne	East Northfield	Northfield
2—Lund, Lee Leslie	Montague	
Burke, Eileen Doris	Montague	Northfield
2—Johnson, Arthur Sydney, Jr.	Northfield	
Clough, Ruth Arlene	Northfield	Greenfield
9—Robinson, Kenneth Alvah	Millers Falls (Erving)	
Mankowsky, Janet	Northfield	Northfield
10—Lanphear, Deane Roger	Northfield	
Shedd, Cynthia	W. Somerville	Cambridge
16—Parker, Edgar Henry	Northfield	
McEwan, Jean Lois	Northfield	Northfield
21—Howe, Arnold Lee	Northfield	
Taylor, Thelma Dolores	Cuba, Illinois	Northfield
22—Aiken, Kenneth Earl	Lake Pleasant	
Griswold, Phyllis Annette	Northfield	Greenfield
22—Gidney, James Paul	Orange	
Chamberlin, Martha Ann	Northfield	Northfield
30—Cole, Robert P.	W. Hartford, Conn.	
Stoddard, Ruth Ann	Holyoke	Northfield

July

14—Plotczyk, Andrew	Northfield	
Mary Skawski, nee Chrzanowski	S. Deerfield	South Deerfield

August

4—Reed, Ramon Charles	Greenfield	
Woodman, Nina Marie	Greenfield	Northfield
11—Chickering, Deane Webster	Greenfield	
McIntire, Betty Ann	Northfield	Northfield
19—Hallett, Charles George	Orange	
Burnor, Theresa Elaine	Northfield	Northfield

September

1—Knower, Robert Earl	Northfield	
Russell, Lill-Sie Margit	Northfield	Westminster, Mass.
8—Deane, Alfred K.	Bernardston	
Drew, Betty Ann	Bernardston	Northfield
14—Arsenault, Edward Ernest	So. Vernon, Vt.	
Randall, Meredith Jean	So., Vernon, Northfield	Northfield

October

6—Mankowsky, Ralph Alexander	Northfield	
LaRoche, Joyce Marilyn	Turners Falls	Montague
6—Leavis, Gordon William	East Northfield	
Wardsworth, Linda June	Gill	Gill

October		
20—Walsh, Philip Kerry	Shaker Hts., Ohio	
Jack, Nancy Jane	East Northfield	Northfield
November		
16—Davis, Clifford Frank	Northfield	
Spikes, Mary	Northfield	Northfield
December		
22—Wheeler, Clinton Russell, Jr.	So. Newfane, Vt.	
Moody, Susie Amanda	So. Newfane, Vt.	Northfield
31—Goldsmith, Robert Lawrence	Saxtons River. Vt.	
Mason, Priscilla Stearns	Saxtons River, Vt.	Northfield

Deaths Recorded in 1956

Date	*Name*	*Age - Years*	*Months*	*Days*
January				
13	Durgin, Russell Luther	64	1	23
15	Brown, Rowena Bell Wormell	41	5	7
16	Morgan, Edward Miles	88	7	16
17	Avery, Ruth	54	6	1
23	Perry, Katherine Ann MacKenzie	87		
23	Perry, Ervin Clayton	84	2	3
February				
2	Baker, Annie Loughrey	88	4	4
5	Cole, Orville Webster	82	6	12
12	Fulton, Albert Cooley	83	8	10
23	Field, Joseph W.	78	3	15
March				
3	Mason, Carl Leroy	84	6	16
8	Howe, Minnie Slate	88	2	6
10	Scanlan, Charles Murray	50	6	25
14	Camp, Bruce Newton	—	2	8
14	Holton, Ralph Barnard	58	4	16
21	Tyler, Frank Leslie	81	4	15
24	Whitney, Mildred A. Hanson	79	11	6
25	Holloway, Gertrude Belle	55	3	11
May				
1	Stevens, Daniel Horace	21	9	25
7	Morse, Stella Mae	58	10	29
25	Dwyer, Clayton	57	7	8
June				
24	Hamilton, Maud Evelyn	86	9	24
July				
3	French, Anna Leucot	68	0	22
August				
8	Kozlowski, Veronica Pardo	68	2	17
13	Orender, Joseph	73	0	15

Tree Warden, 1 year		
Kenneth L. Miller	Two Hundred Ninety-four	294
Blanks	Forty-nine	49
Tax Collector, 1 year		
Roy J. Fish	Two Hundred Ninety-three	293
Blanks	Fifty	50
Constables, 1 year		
Paul E. Chamberlin	Three Hundred Four	304
Joseph G. Morgan	Three Hundred	300
Niles E. Stone	Two Hundred Ninety-five	295
Blanks	One Hundred Thirty	130
Constable, resident Northfield Farms, 1 year		
Murray M. Hammond	Two Hundred Ninety-five	295
Blanks	Forty-eight	48
Planning Board, 5 years		
A. Gordon Moody	Two Hundred Seventy-eight	278
Robert Barnes	One	1
Homer Browning, Jr.	One	1
Blanks	Sixty-three	63
Planning Board, 2 years		
George H. Sheldon	Two Hundred Eighty-seven	287
Norman Collier	One	1
Thomas Russell, Jr.	One	1
Blanks	Fifty-four	54

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, February 7, 1956 at 7 o'clock in accordance with the foregoing warrant.

Horace F. Field,
Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes Taken February 7, 1956 on the Articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this Article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in acccordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,346.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used for tools for highway work.

Article 8. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:			Moderator	$25
Chairman of the Board	$325	$75	Treasurer	900
Second Member	325	75	Tax Collector	750
Third Member	325	75	Town Clerk	500
Assessors			School Committee	
First Member	300		Chairman	100
Second Member	300		Second Member	100
Third Member	300		Third Member	100

A motion made by William Marshall to raise the salary of the Treasurer from $900.00 to $1,000, the Tax Collector from $750.00 to $900.00, and the Town Clerk from $500.00 to $750.00 was defeated by a show of hands.

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money necessary for salaries and other Town charges:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,200	Alexander Hall	$250
Selectmen's Expense a/c	250	Old Age Assistance	38,000
Assessors' Salary	900	Aid to Dependent Children	6,000
Assessors' Expense a/c	225	General Relief	3,000
Treasurer's Salary	900	Disability Assistance	3,000
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400	Public Welfare Adm.	3,000
Tax Collector's Salary	750	Soldier's Relief	3,500
Tax Collector's Expense a/c	500	Machinery Maintenance Acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fd.)	3,000
Town Clerk's Salary	500	Bridges	3,000
		Election & Registrations	2,000
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80	Fire & Casualty Ins.	5,300
School Committee Salary	300	Interest Account	200
Town Moderator's Salary	25	Town Hall Care	5,000
Town Accountant's Salary	950	Legal Expense	250
Town Accountant's Expense a/c	75	Damages	200
Sealer Wgts. & Meas.	150	Town Clock & Fountain	150

Article 33. Voted: That the town shall authorize the selectmen to dispose of the town's interest in the School House in District #6.

Article 34. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection.

Article 35. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in streams in the town of Northfield, under the supervision of the selectmen.

Article 36. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on North Lane near the residence of Mrs. Anderson at the junction of Rustic Ridge.

Article 37. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles.

Article 38. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the school committee.

Article 39. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the selectmen and the Civil Defense committee.

Article 40. Voted: To accept Highland Circuit as laid out by the selectmen, dated December 22nd, 1955, and filed with the town clerk, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to use for the same.

Article 41. Voted: That the town do not accept the article.

Article 42. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 43. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial day.

Article 44. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 45. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the fire department to use to purchase hose and miscellaneous equipment.

Article 46. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 for constables' pay and expense.

Article 47. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for constables' equipment.

Article 48. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 to pay the town's share of the expense of relocating the #2 bound on the Northfield-Erving town line, and the #10 bound on the Northfield-Gill town line.

Article 49. Voted: To accept the sum of $150.00 from the estate of Jennie L. Bascom as a trust fund, the interest therof payable to the treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in the Northfield Farms cemetery.

At this point Edward Hurley moved for a minute of silence in memory of Mrs. Haskell, in view of her many years of faithful service. This was carried out.

Article 50. Voted: That a sum of $4,000.00 be appropriated (transferred) from available surplus funds as an emergency fund for the repair of the church steeple of the First Parish Church, Unitarian, for repairing the clock case and for moving and replacing the clock, (and through an amendment to the original motion, that the clock be electrified at an additional cost of $250.00, this sum also to be transferred from available surplus funds,) and that the selectmen appoint two qualified men to work with the church committee on the project.

Article 51. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to be expended under the direction of the Alexander Hall Committee for the installation of a Ladies' Rest Room in Alexander Hall.

Article 52. Voted: That the report of the Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 49 of the Annual Town Meeting February 7, 1955, be accepted and the Committee discharged.

Article 53. Voted: That the Town will change the date of the Annual Town Election to be the first Monday of March in each year; and the date of the Annual Town Meeting to be the first Tuesday after the first Monday of March in each year.

Article 54. Voted: That the Town change the location for posting Town Meeting Warrants from the School House in District #6 to a bulletin board to be provided by the Selectmen on the Gulf Road at Orange Road.

Article 55. Voted: To accept the report of the War Memorial Committee, and discharge it with thanks. (Copy filed herewith)

Article 56. Voted: That the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds the sum of $150.00 to provide and install equipment for flood-lighting the War Memorial, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, motion amended by Frank

Williams to be decided by a standing vote. The count was 53 for, 50 against.

Article 57. Voted: That the report read by Miss Elsie Scott be accepted with thanks. (Copy filed herewith)

Article 58. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to purchase curtains for the Town Hall.

Article 59. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 60. Voted: To authorize the appointment of a committee, of five, by the Moderator, for the purpose of studying with the assessors the advisability or need of a revaluation of the property in the Town of Northfield, or act thereon. (See copy of Mr. Livingston's letter of March 1, 1956 filed within.)

Article 61. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from Overlay Reserve for a reserve fund for the current year.

Article 62. Voted: To transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of $10,000.00 to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1956 Tax Rate.

The meeting was dissolved at 10:18 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD,

Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes Taken on the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, August 30, 1956

Article 1. Voted: To transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the Old Age Assistance Account to the Disability Account.

Article 2. Voted: To transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Article 3. Voted: To transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of $250.00 for Gypsy Moth and Poison Ivy Control.

Article 4. Voted: To transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from available funds in the Treasury to the Snow Removal Account.

The meeting was dissolved at 8:12 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD,

Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes Taken on the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, December 10, 1956

Article 1. Voted: To transfer the sum of $400 for the preparation of an official map of the town for the use of the Planning Board.

Article 2. Voted: To transfer the sum of $600 for preparation of adequate maps for the use of the assessors.

The meeting was dissolved at 8:41 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD,

Town Clerk

JURY LIST

The following is the Jury List for 1957:

Harold F. Bigelow
Clifford R. Camp
Grove W. Deming
Katherine F. Field
Josephine J. Gaida
Arthur F. Green
Robert J. Hafner
Kenneth B. Hall
Ernest C. Howard
Mary L. Holton
Rhoda L. Kempkes
Joseph Lipsio
Florence B. Lyman
Lulu M. Neal
Leslie S. Rice
Bertha M. Rikert
Robert H. Schepp
Charles F. Slate
Eleanor Stange
Dwight P. Stearns
Carl J. Stone
Charles D. Streeter
Daniel F. Sutherland
Lillian Tie'
Clarence K. Webber
Charles R. White
Deane W. Williams
Phoebe W. Winterbottom

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

Balance January 1, 1956			112,832.53
Receipts for year 1956			382,335.18
			$495,167.71
Payments per Warrants		374,924.08	
Cash on hand December 31, 1956	4,974.68		
Franklin County Trust Company	115,268.95	120,243.63	495,167.71

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1956 per statement		135,667.18
Outstanding Checks December 31, 1956 per list	20,398.23	
Balance December 31, 1956 per check book	115,268.95	
		135,667.18

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance on hand January 1, 1956	193.88	
Amount collected from members in 1956	1,846.38	2,040.26
Payments to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1956	1,782.74	
Balance December 31, 1956 in Treasury	257.52	2,040.26

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand January 1, 1956	1,093.60	
Withholding Tax deducted in 1956	13,930.67	15,024.27
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1956	13,699.39	
Balance December 31, 1956 in Treasury	1,324.88	15,024.27

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Deductions from Members in 1956		1,682.70
Paid to Mass. Hospital Service in 1956	1,254.60	
Balance December 31, 1956 in Treasury	428.10	
		1,682.70

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others—West Northfield Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	Securities	Totals
On hand January 1, 1956	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
On hand December 31, 1956	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of Interest	239.68		

James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	2,000.00		2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1956	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	60.45		

Calvin Stearns Center Cemetry Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1956	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Belcher Center School Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	1,050.00	200.00	1,250.00
On hand December 31, 1956	1,050.00		1,050.00
Receipts of Interest	31.73		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1956	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	55.23		

Belcher Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	9,439.01	300.00	9,739.01
On hand December 31, 1956	9,439.01	—	9,439.01
Receipts of Interest	267.75		

Belcher Library and Cemetery Fund

On hand December 31, 1956		500.00	500.00
Receipts of Interest	9.40		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	900.56		900.56
On hand December 31, 1956	925.48		925.48
Receipts of Interest added to account	24.92		

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1956	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.68		

Surplus Revenue School Funds

On hand January 1, 1956	1,600.00		1,600.00
On hand December 31, 1956	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of Interest	44.30		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1956	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipt of Interest	83.06		

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1956	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	3,285.23	10,000.00	13,285.23
Receipts of Interest on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Interest on Savings Deposits	96.76		
On hand December 31, 1956	3,631.99	10,000.00	13,631.99

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1956	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1956	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Maude Montague Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1956		2,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1956		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	50.00		

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northeld Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning	$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Mrs. Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie E. Bascom	150.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson and Nettie Spring	$100.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00

James White	100.00
Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Halchita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White and George Hastings	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman Mac Gaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Andrew H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin F. Field and Chas. Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300.00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hillard	300.00
Cora B. Preston and Asa Holton	100.00
Frank and William Piper	100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1956	$14,964.75	$14,964.75
On hand December 31, 1956	14,964.75	14,964.75
Receipts of Interest	438.12	
Interest transferred to Town	438.12	

CHARLES F. SLATE
Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

1951 Levy		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		$ 54.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 54.00	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	00.00	
		$ 54.00
1952 Levy		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		$ 139.40
Paid Treasurer	$ 128.90	
Tax Title Taken	10.50	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	00.00	
		$ 139.40
1953 Levy		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		$ 605.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 557.95	
Tax Titles Taken	25.60	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	21.45	
		$ 605.00
1954 Levy		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		$ 8,607.33
Refunds		8.78
Paid Treasurer	$ 6,783.28	
Abatements	153.37	
Tax Titles Taken	26.01	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	1,653.45	
		$ 8,616.11
1955 Levy		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		$22,272.65
Refunds		334.33
Paid Treasurer	$16,131.22	
Abatements	452.05	
Tax Titles Taken	24.00	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	5,999.71	
		$ 22,606.98
1956 Levy		
Poll Tax Levy		$ 1,368.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 968.00	
Exemptions	192.00	
Abatements	28.00	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	180.00	
		$ 1,368.00

Personal Property Tax Levy		$ 22,002.09
Paid Treasurer	$ 19,138.21	
Abatements	72.75	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	2,791.13	
		$ 22,002.09
Motor Vehicle Tax Levy		$ 26,045.16
Refunds		$ 499.63
Paid Treasurer	$ 17,411.00	
Abatements	1,345.99	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	7,787.80	
		$ 26,544.79
Real Estate Tax Levy		$143,170.25
Refunds		106.50
Paid Treasurer	$120,085.34	
Exemptions	2,825.25	
Abatements	258.00	
Tax Titles Taken	30.01	
Tax Titles Added	520.16	
Outstanding January 1, 1957	19,557.99	
		$143,276.75

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH
Tax Collector

Board of Assessors' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

Recapitulation

Town Appropriation			
(a) to be raised by Taxation		$265,974.45	
(b) to be raised from available funds			
in 1956	$ 45,025.00		
in 1955 after tax rate was fixed	7,805.00		
		$ 52,830.00	
			$318.804.45

Veterans' Service District			793.44
State Assessments 1956 Estimated			
State Parks and and Reservations	$297.66		
		$ 297.66	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 974.15		
		$ 974.15	
			$ 1,271.81
County Assessments			
County Tax		$ 10,271.88	
County Retirement System		2,135.90	
			$ 12,407.78
Overlay of current year			5,873.80
			$339,151.28

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$ 20,123.15	
Corporation Taxes	7,583.74	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	539.04	
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S. 10	1,352.88	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	23,000.00	
Licenses	200.00	
Fines	15.00	
General Government	400.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	185.00	
Health and Sanitation	200.00	
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	5,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	26,900.00	
Veterans' Service	700.00	
Schools	22,500.00	
Libraries	200.00	
Interest on Taxes	700.00	
Total Estimated Receipts		$109,598.81
County Tax	$ 139.94	
State Parks and Reservations	46.19	
Available Funds	52,830.00	
Free Cash	10,000.00	
		$ 63,016.13

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		$172,614.94
Net amount to be raised by Taxation		166,536.34
*Number of Polls 682 at $2.00	$ 1,364.00	
Valuation of Personal Property $293,360.00 at $75.0	22,002.00	
Valuation of Real Estate $1,908,912.00 at $75.00	143,168.40	
Adjust overlay	1.94	
*Two additional Polls not included in above figure		
Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property		$166,536.34

Table of Aggregates

Number of Polls	682	
Number of Persons assessed		
On Personal Property only	45	
On Real Estate only	456	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	238	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$26,800.00	
Machinery	191,980.00	
Live Stock	64,505.00	
All Other Personal Property	10,075.00	
Total Value of Personal Property		$293,360.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$ 528,127.00	
Buldings Exclusive of Land	1,380,785.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$1,908,912.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		$2,202,272.00
Tax Rate Per $1,000	$ 75.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	22,002.00	
On Real Estate	143,168.40	
On Polls	1,364.00	
	1.94	
Total Taxes Assessed		$166,536.34
Number of Livestock Assessed		
Horses (One year old or over)	27	
Cows (Milch)	988	
Bulls, Steers and Heifers	305	
Swine (6 months old or over)	29	
Sheep (6 months old or over)	24	

Fowl	1,745
All Other	25
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	18,572 9/10
Number or Dwelling Houses Assessed	736

Abatements During the Year of 1956

Levy of	1956	1955	1954
Polls	$ 220.00	$ 18.00	$ 18.00
Motor Vehicle	1,345.99	194.05	135.37
Personal	72.75		
Real Estate	258.00		
Exemptions Chap. 59	2,825.25	240.00	

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	1085
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$ 26,045.16
Total Assessed Valuation	525,970.00

Incomplete—Compiled to December 31, 1956

We the Board of Assessors would like to express our appreciation to the town officials for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1956	54	
No. cases added during year	9	
No. cases closed during year	7	
No. cases December 31, 1956	56	
Appropriation, 1956	$38,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1955	10,472.53	
Cancelled checks	59.35	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1956	21,380.04	
Transferred to D. A.	-2,000.00	
		$67,911.92

Expended, payrolls	$54,399.61	
Expended, to other towns	739.53	
Transferred to revenue	776.17	
U. S. Grant forward to 1957		11,996.61
		$67.911.92

Aid To Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1956	3	
No. cases added during year	1	
No. cases closed during year	1	
No. cases December 31, 1956	3	
Appropriation, 1956	$6,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1955	439.35	
U. S. Grant reimbursement, 1956	1,817.50	
		$ 8,256.85
Expended, payrolls	$4,749.53	
Transferred to revenue	2,996.72	
U. S. Grant forward to 1957	510.60	
		$ 8,256.85

Disability Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1956	2	
No. cases added during year	1	
No. cases closed during year	1	
No. cases December 31, 1956	2	
Appropriation, 1956	$3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1955	809.24	
Transferred from Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	
Cancelled checks	.96	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1956	918.00	
		$ 6,728.20
Expended	$5,058.92	
Transferred to revenue	835.71	
U. S. Grant forward to 1957	833.57	
		$ 6,728.20

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1956		3	
No. cases added during year		8	
No. cases closed during year		7	
No. cases December 31, 1956		4	
Appropriation, 1956		$3,000.00	
			$ 3,000.00
Expended:			
Cash to GR recipients		$1,133.95	
To other towns		797.28	
Payments to vendors:			
Northfield Food Mart	$170.64		

Pearl G. Webster	30.00		
F. M. Dunnell	8.35		
Walter Shaw	27.00		
Bronson's, board	358.40		
Medical Payments	144.25		
Leland Black	91.00		
		829.64	
Transferred to revenue		239.13	
			$ 3,000.00

Administration

Appropriation		$3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1955:			
OAA	795.88		
ADC	444.19		
DA	317.64		
		1,557.71	
U. S. Grant 1956 reimbursements:			
OAA	1,674.06		
ADC	470.62		
DA	112.97		
		2,257.65	
			$ 6,815.36
Expended:			
Salaries	4,191.61		
Transportation	81.82		
Postage	30.00		
Telephone	72.75		
Office supplies, service contracts and miscellaneous	160.19		
		$ 4,536.37	
Transferred to revenue		714.64	
U. S. Grant forward to 1957:			
OAA	597.30		
ADC	536.44		
DA	430.61		
		1,564.35	
			$ 6,815.36

This year Northfield's Board of Public Welfare was given approval for a part-time Clerk-Stenographer under Civil Service, in the person of Mrs. Karlene Holton. Mrs. Holton was appointed on January 3. 1956, as emergency worker three mornings a week in the Welfare Office, was later given Provisional appointment, and finally was made Permanent part-time Clerk-Stenographer, much to the satisfaction of the Welfare Board and the Agent.

In November, 1956, the State Department approved appointment

of Dr. Lawrence R. Dame of Greenfield to serve the Northfield Board of Public Welfare as Medical Advisor in addition to his similar duties in surrounding towns. This appointment expedites payments of difficult medical problems, which have previously been delayed in processing for payment by the District and State Offices. A study has been made this year of medical payments to different vendors of medical services and supplies, with the following itemization:

VENDOR	OAA	ADC	DA	GR	TOTAL
Dr. Colton	3.00	—	—	—	3.00
Dr. Cayward	77.00	—	—	—	77.00
Dr. Dame	11.00	—	—	—	11.00
Dr. Dean	809.15	545.85	—	—	1,355.00
Dr. Elgosin	115.00	—	—	—	115.00
Dr. Higgins	9.00	—	—	—	9.00
Dr. Ingraham	6.00	4.00	—	—	10.00
Dr. Kenneally	15.00	5.00	5.00	—	25.00
Dr. McDonald	14.00	—	—	—	14.00
Dr. Post	5.00	—	—	—	5.00
Dr. Miniszek	—	—	—	5.00	5.00
Dr. Mercer	23.00	—	12.00	—	35.00
Dr. Stone	—	—	22.00	—	22.00
Dr. True	780.00	19.00	445.00	48.00	1,292.00
Dr. Wheeler	25.00	—	—	—	25.00
Total Physicians	1,892.15	573.85	484.00	53.00	3,003.00
Fiske & Stecker	30.00	—	—	—	30.00
Hawley Pharmacy	3.61	—	—	—	3.61
Northfield Ph'macy	2,759.06	251.88	274.50	14.25	3,299.69
Orange Drug Store	60.70	—	—	—	60.70
Scott (Weld's) Ph'cy.	170.55	—	—	—	175.55
Total, Drugs	3,023.92	251.88	274.50	14.25	3,564.55
Bronson Nursing Home	11,683.26	—	—	—	11,683.26
Chateau Serene Nursing Home	1,819.92	—	—	—	1,819.92
Hart Nursing Home	1,080.06	—	1,848.26	—	2,928.32
Vernon Green Nursing Home	315.02	—	—	—	315.02
Total Nursing Homes	14,898.26	—	1,848.26	—	16,746.52

Farren Hospital	211.68	—	—	—	211.68
Brattleboro Hospital	315.00	—	780.00	60.00	1,155.00
Franklin Co. Hospital	112.00	—	84.00	—	196.00
New England Deaconess	—	—	566.46	—	566.46
Total, Hospitals	638.68	—	1,430.46	60.00	2,129.14
Dr. Dannehy	—	40.00	—	—	40.00
Dr. Larocque	—	18.00	—	—	18.00
Dr. Woods	265.00	—	—	17.00	282.00
Total, Dentists	265.00	58.00	—	17.00	340.00
Kidder & Co.	46.50	15.50	—	—	62.00
Mental Health Center	—	18.00	—	—	18.00
Joseph Schaff, Optician	24.90	17.00	—	—	41.90
Total Others	71.40	50.50			121.90
Total of all Medical Services and Supplies					25,905.11

RECAPITULATION

VENDOR	OAA	ADC	DA	GR	TOTAL
Physicians	1,892.15	573.85	484.00	53.00	3.003.00
Drugs	3,023.92	251.88	274.50	14.25	3,564.55
Nursing Homes	14,898.26	—	1,848.26	—	16,746.52
Hospitals	638.68	—	1,430.46	60.00	2,129.14
Dentists	265.00	58.00	—	17.00	340.00
Other	71.40	50.50	—	—	121.90
	20,789.41	934.23	4,037.22	144.25	25,905.11

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL,
Agent Board of Public Welfare

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31. 1956, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1957.

HELEN M. STEARNS

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Taxes 1951		
Real Estate	$ 54.00	
Taxes 1952		
Real Estate	128.90	
Taxes 1953		
Personal Property	16.00	
Real Estate	541.95	
Taxes 1954		
Polls	24.00	
Personal Property	511.56	
Real Estate	4,872.07	
Taxes 1955		
Polls	114.00	
Personal Property	2,061.26	
Real Estate	10,756.72	
Taxes 1956		
Polls	968.00	
Personal Property	19,138.21	
Real Estate	120,085.34	
		$159,272.01
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1952	55.49	
Levy of 1953	2.69	
Levy of 1954	1,375.65	
Levy of 1955	3,199.24	
Levy of 1956	17,411.00	
		$ 22,044.07
Collector's Costs		112.45
Accounts Receivable		
General Relief	181.72	
O. A. A.	23,580.35	
A. D. C.	2,541.10	
D. A. Adm.	56.48	
D. A.	2,740.56	
Vets Benefits	562.29	
Schools	1,155.88	
		$ 30,818.38
Federal Grants		
O. A. A. Adm.	1,674.06	
O. A. A.	17,998.72	
A. D. C. Adm.	470.62	
A. D. C.	1,817.50	
D. A. Adm.	112.97	
D. A.	918.00	
		$ 22,991.87

O. A. A. Recovery		1,729.30
State Aid to Hwys.		36,358.37
County Aid to Hwys.		1,999.98
Road Machinery Fund		7,920.75
School Lunch		17,474.43
School Athletics		363.65
Dog Licenses		676.40
Federal Withholding Taxes		13,930.67
County Retirement Withholding		1,846.38
Mass. Hospital Service		1,682.70
U. S. Bond Income		250.00
County Dog Officer		227.50
Wild Cat Bounty		50.00
Rent—Town Hall		370.00
Rent—Alexander Hall		27.00
Licenses Granted		251.50
Interest on deferred Taxes		1,095.56
Library Fines		210.40
Nurse's Fees		292.50
Sealer Fees		70.10
Vocational Education Fees		88.00
School—Lost Book		.88
Town Hall—Broken Dish		.22
Town Hall—Money Found		.05
Sale of #6 School House		325.00
Sale of Snow Plow		15.00
Sale of Junk		70.00
Insurance—Carey		10.00
Insurance—Damage to Nurse's Car		15.00
Telephone Call		.20
State		
Health	$ 40.71	
Loss of Taxes	549.74	
Livestock Disease Control	96.99	
Meals Tax	1,327.46	
Corporation Tax	8,050.69	
Income Tax	8,400.40	
School Aid	18,233.79	
School Superintendent	1,220.54	
Vocational Education	1,860.27	
Education & Transportation	13,934.45	
Temporary Aid & Transportaiton	1,034.64	
Tuition—Child Guardianship	1,642.58	
Transportation—Child Guardianship	645.25	
Licenses	16.00	
		$ 57,053.51

County Dog Fund		578.49
Refunds		
O. A. A. USG	59.35	
School Lunch	12.50	
Machinery Maintenance	7.35	
D. A. APP.	.96	
Schools	7.66	
Insurance	102.62	
		$ 190.44
Trust Funds Interest		
Surplus Revenue School Fund	44.30	
Elisha Alexander Charity	60.60	
George F. Morgan Charity	90.68	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	15.11	
Belcher Center School	36.99	
Belcher Library	275.64	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	83.06	
P. C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt. Cemeteries	416.28	
P. C. Northfield Farms	106.82	
P. C. West Northfield	242.72	
P. C. Mary Callender	15.11	
P. C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
		$ 1,452.42
Trust Funds		500.00
Total Cash Receipts		$382,365.18
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1956		112,832.53
		$495,197.71

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Edgar J. Livingston		25.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		1,200.00
Robert P. Barnes	$ 400.00	
Wallace E. Stange	400.00	
William M. Marshall	400.00	
		$ 1,200.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Reserve Fund	24.93	
		$ 274.93

Mass. Ass'n.	$ 25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n.	6.00	
Robert P. Barnes	42.65	
William M. Marshall	20.25	
Katie Barnes	15.00	
Karlene Holton	5.10	
Edgar Livingston	10.00	
Bill's Service Station	1.88	
Recorder Publishing Co.	8.05	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	14.15	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	73.85	
Com. Public Safety	2.00	
Postage	6.00	
Lawlers' Co-op. Pub. Co.	45.00	
		$ 274.93

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 950.00
Helen M. Stearns		950.00

Accountant Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 3.00	
Remington Rand	6.55	
The Sautter Co.	6.25	
Helen M. Stearns	59.20	
		$ 75.00

Legal Expense

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Raymond M. Trudel		250.00

Tax Collector

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Roy J. Fish		750.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Tax Collector Ass'n.	$ 2.00	
Reade Shaw Agency	5.00	
Roy J. Fish (Bond)	223.50	
Hobbs & Warren	132.10	
B. H. Walbridge	10.00	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.	1.00	
Recorder Pub. Co.	8.34	
Postage	115.06	
Roy J. Fish	3.00	
		$ 500.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Charles F. Slate		900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Treasurers' Ass'n.	$ 2.00	
Colton's Ins. (Bond)	104.50	
Postage	140.19	
Richard D Smith, Inc.	57.75	
Charles F. Slate, Sundry	40.41	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.	10.00	
The Todd Co.	30.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	15.15	
		$ 400.00

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation		$ 1,400.00
Clifford A. Field	$ 300.00	
Winthrop E. Spencer	300.00	
Lee H. Sheldon	300.00	
W. E. Spencer, Clerk	500.00	
		$ 1,400.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation	$ 225.00	
Reserve Fund	29.32	
		$ 254.32
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 9.00	
Registry of Deeds	58.80	
Remington Rand	15.75	
Burroughs Co.	18.00	
Hobbs & Warren	76.97	
B. H. Walbridge	17.25	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	.40	
Johnson & Johnson	5.25	
Clifford A. Field	15.00	
Winthrop E. Spencer	22.90	
Lee H. Sheldon	15.00	
		$ 254.32

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Horace F. Field		500.00

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation		$ 80.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 7.50	
Colton's Ins. (Bond)	7.50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	.35	
Hobbs & Warren	8.60	
H. F. Field	15.00	
	38.95	
Balance to Revenue	41.05	
		$ 80.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Laurence Hammond	$ 126.00	
Charles Streeter	126.00	
Edward Hurley	110.00	
Horace Field	126.00	
James Dale	41.88	
Helen Stearns	53.13	
Helen Greene	51.88	
Ralph Holton	13.13	
Daisy Holton	51.88	
Mary G. Parker	13.13	
Flora Abbey	51.88	
Karlene Holton	13.13	
Harrison Stacy	38.75	
Minnie Skinner, Jr.	37.50	
Edward Powell, Jr.	38.75	
Mary A. Holton	27.50	
Edna Bistrek	16.25	
Genevieve Eastman	16.25	
Murray Hammond	16.25	
Hobbs & Warren	3.50	
E. A. Hall & Co.	378.00	
	$ 1,350.79	
Balance to Revenue	649.21	
		$ 2,000.00

Town Hall Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 5,000.00
Charles F. Slate, Salary	$ 1,800.00	
Charles F. Slate, Sundry	5.00	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	291.36	
F. M. Dunnell	1,614.89	
H. S. Cregar	115.33	
Northfield Food Mart	2.20	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
Avery's Store	55.00	
Edward Bolton	98.87	
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	10.00	
John Hammond	10.00	
Frank Anderson	23.00	
M. D. Stetson Co.	28.02	
C. B. Dolge Co.	144.36	
Greenfield Fire Equipment Co.	8.30	
The Hubers	640.00	

Department of Public Safety	10.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	25.00	
	$ 4,897.58	
Balance to Revenue	102.42	
		$ 5,000.00

Town Hall Curtains

Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Reserve Fund	5.00	
		$ 505.00
Gray's Drapery Shop		505.00

Constables and Expense

Appropriation	$ 750.00	
Reserve Fund	111.43	
		$ 861.43
Paul Chamberlin	$ 344.64	
Joseph Morgan	258.59	
Niles Stone	132.48	
Murray Hammond	79.93	
T. J. Russell	6.40	
Willis K. Parker	14.80	
Albert P. Brown, Probation Officer	22.34	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2.25	
		$ 861.43

Constables Uniforms & Equipment

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Balance to 1957		100.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
Reserve Fund	151.78	
		$ 2,651.78
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	179.00	
Dwight Stearns	168.67	
James Dale	76.00	
Philip Mann, Jr.	180.85	
Edmund Morgan	152.00	
James Morgan	50.00	
David Quinn	161.00	
John Hammond	254.46	
Paul Carpenter	86.00	
Howard Williams	124.33	
Harold Williams	82.00	
Leland Black	78.00	
Warren Randall	33.00	
Leslie Gibson	11.00	

W. W. Sanderson	6.00	
Robert Whitney	10.00	
Gardiner Hudson	57.00	
Francis Reed	35.00	
Gilbert Stacy	40.00	
William Walker, Jr.	35.00	
Walter Clark	31.00	
Joseph Morgan	30.00	
Gerald Barnes	5.00	
Tri-State Mutual Aid	5.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	298.33	
David G. Deane	27.75	
James R. Shea	28.00	
Stearns' Garage	123.99	
Morgan Garage	68.68	
Jordan Motor Sales	10.17	
Harold Allen, Inc.	3.28	
F. M. Dunnell	50.12	
G. L. Merriam Co.	6.00	
Police Radio Labs	5.90	
Avery's Store	45.94	
Sundry men from Gill	80.00	
	$ 2,638.47	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	13.31	
		$ 2,651,78

Purchase of Hose & Miscellaneous Equipment

Apropriation		$ 2,000.00
David Deane	$ 830.80	
American LaFrance Corp.	315.00	
Sudbury Laboratories	12.50	
	$ 1,158.30	
Balance to Revenue	841.70	
		$ 2,000.00

Hydrant Service

Appropriation	$ 400.00
Northfield Water Co.	400.00

Waterholes

Appropriation	$ 400.00
Steven Siciak	400.00

Maintenance Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Reserve Fund	385.09	
		$ 1,385.09

Stanley E. Johnson	$ 609.89	
W. M. Electric Co.	388.15	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. (Hwy.)	59.05	
Northfield Water Co.	18.89	
G. G. Bentley	40.00	
John Hammond	25.74	
F. M. Dunnell	7.45	
Peter Yarmac	145.04	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	10.88	
Overhead Door Service	80.00	
		$ 1,385.09

Public Safety

Appropriation	$ 25.00
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	25.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation	$ 50.00
Balance to Revenue	50.00

Sealer Weights and Measures and Expense

Appropriation, Salary	$ 150.00	
Appropriation, Expense	25.00	
		$ 175.00
Warren A. Randall		$ 175.00

Gypsy Moth Extermination

Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Surplus Revenue	250.00	
		$ 650.00
Skibiski Farm Supply	$ 75.00	
Joseph Bilmon	108.75	
Kenneth Miller	70.30	
Hamilton Cregar	186.75	
Avery's Store	.58	
F. M. Dunnell	6.63	
Stearns Garage	10.00	
Greenfield Farmers' Coop.	42.58	
Robert Randall	5.00	
Horace Field	9.60	
George Wetherby	36.00	
Harold Clough	81.01	
Ronald Winship	13.50	
Town Truck	1.50	
	$ 647.20	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	2.80	
		$ 650.00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation		$ 1,800.00
Joseph Bilmon	$ 167.25	
Kenneth Miller	228.65	
Harold Clough	192.51	
Ronald Winship	104.63	
Orrin Carey	89.00	
George Smalley	96.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Henry Bassett	10.80	
George Wetherby	202.50	
Harold Deane	32.00	
Melvin Miller	10.80	
Robert Randall	95.00	
Smead Lumber Co.	1.79	
Hinckley Tree Service	209.38	
Avery's Store	1.19	
Ernest Kenney	9.60	
Highway Machinery	336.25	
	$ 1,795.35	
Balance to Revenue	4.65	
		$ 1,800.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 119.00	
Harold Clough	70.20	
Ronald Winship	54.00	
George Smalley	28.80	
Robert Flagg	34.00	
Charles Leach	2.40	
Henry Bassett	10.80	
Ernest Kenney	28.80	
Avery's Store	5.25	
George Wetherby	108.00	
Highway Machinery	138.75	
		$ 600.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Reserve Fund	35.00	
		$ 185.00
Robert Gibson	$ 156.94	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	28.06	
		$ 185.00

Health

Appropriation		$ 1,300.00
Abalene Exterminating Co.	$ 120.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	44.05	
J. H. Black	3.00	
Steven Siciak	56.00	
Franklin Co. Hospital	38.71	
Dr. F. W. Dean	60.00	
Dr. A. B. True	60.00	
Dr. A. J. Stone	70.00	
W. M. Marshall	10.00	
Horace Field	110.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2.00	
Postage	6.00	
Kenneth Miller	125.80	
Harold Clough	21.60	
Ronald Winship	17.55	
George Smalley	9.60	
Charles Leach	1.20	
Highway Machinery	132.00	
	$ 887.51	
Balance to Revenue	412.49	
		$ 1,300.00

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		$ 2,800.00
Marion C. Billings	$2,550.00	
Ruth J. Butler	200.00	
	$ 2,750.00	
Balance to Revenue	50.00	
		$ 2,800.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Marion Billings	$ 5.79	
Northfield Pharmacy	13.39	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2.25	
Public Affairs Com.	1.98	
	$ 23.41	
Balance to Revenue	51.59	
		$ 75.00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation		$ 350.00
Esso Standard Oil Co.	$ 87.19	

Bill's Service Station	3.87	
Jordan Motor Sales	2.84	
Spencer Bros.	54.43	
Eugene Miller	40.00	
Roy J. Fish	12.00	
	200.33	
Balance to Revenue	149.67	
		$ 350.00

Trade Nurse's Car

Appropriation		$ 1,600.00
Spencer Bros.	$ 1,169.00	
Balance to Revenue	431.00	
		$ 1,600.00

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Reserve Fund	66.66	
		$ 241.66
Gilbert Hammond	$ 231.66	
E. Erskine Harvey	10.00	
		$ 241.66

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Leroy Barnes	$ 25.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund	$ 5,000.00	
Refund	7.35	
		$ 5,007.35
Esso Standard Oil Co.	$ 1,544.40	
Jordan Motor Sales	303.15	
Morgan Garage	108.51	
Spencer Bros.	313.55	
Stearns Garage	150.69	
James Neigh	66.82	
Eugene Miller	979.73	
Hotel Garage	11.87	
George Sheldon	127.83	
Tenney Farms	1.27	
G. C. Buffum	4.41	
Graves Equip.	14.85	
H. S. Cregar	22.96	
Clapp's Service	23.31	
F. M. Dunnell	10.81	
Bill's Service Sta.	2.00	
Edmund Morgan	5.00	

Tropical Paint Co.	20.75	
Transglobal Steel Co.	364.85	
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	66.44	
Avery's Store	25.01	
Ray Thompson	44.94	
George's Auto Body	7.50	
Henry Bassett	32.40	
Harold Clough	57.23	
Ronald Winship	21.60	
Ernest Kenney	3.60	
Unitarian Church	35.00	
Harold B. Allen, Inc.	364.62	
	$ 4,735.10	
Balance to Road Mach. Fund	272.25	
		$ 5,007.35

Tools

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Transglobal Steel Co.	$ 81.65	
H. S. Cregar	51.11	
Frank W. Hance	10.52	
Kenneth Miller	3.00	
Walter Killian	23.50	
	$ 169.78	
Balance to Revenue	30.22	
		$ 200.00

Purchase Snow Plow & Sander

Road Mach. Fund		$ 1,750.00
Perkins Milton Co.	470.40	
Salter's Express	7.97	
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	1,188.00	
	$ 1,666.37	
Balance to Road Mach. Fund	83.63	
		$ 1,750.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation	$ 4,875.00	
Surplus Revenue	17,875.00	
		$ 22,750.00
Highway Machinery	$ 3,281.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	3,096.19	
Kenneth Miller	1,701.70	
Henry Bassett	1,092.15	
Harold Clough	1,223.10	
Ronald Winship	1,207.30	

George Smalley	1,161.60	
Orrin Carey	296.00	
Charles Leach	597.60	
Robert Scott	423.00	
Alan Bolton	146.00	
Robert Williams	330.00	
David Martin	50.00	
Fred Avery	120.00	
Ernest Kenney	73.20	
Chemical Corp.	219.04	
Lake Asphalt Co.	376.20	
Frye Corp.	182.60	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	35.16	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	404.71	
Melvin Miller	1,110.90	
Steven Siciak	1,699.00	
Frank Anderson	238.00	
H. S. Cregar	28.00	
American Tar Co.	3,231.15	
Koppers Co.	426.40	
		$ 22,750.00

Chapter 90—Gulf

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Surplue Revenue	9,000.00	
		$ 12,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 272.00	
Harold Clough	205.20	
Henry Bassett	216.00	
Ronald Winship	156.60	
George Smalley	172.80	
Orrin Carey	80.00	
Charles Leach	76.80	
Ernest Kenney	57.60	
Highway Machinery	423.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	1,005.80	
Lake Asphalt Co.	180.81	
Koppers Co.	538.61	
H. S. Cregar	70.50	
Transglobal Steel Co.	60.51	
Steven Siciak	304.00	
Melvin Miller	252.00	
F. W. Anderson	224.00	
	$ 4,296.23	
Balance to 1957	7,703.77	
		$ 12,000.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Surplus Revenue	2,000.00	
		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 71.40	
Harold Clough	35.10	
Henry Bassett	56.70	
Ronald Winship	45.90	
George Smalley	50.40	
Robert Scott	26.00	
Fred Avery	15.00	
Robert Williams	16.00	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Charles Leach	9.60	
Highway Machinery	101.00	
Lake Asphalt Co.	220.59	
American Tar Co.	348.53	
Koppers Co.	803.42	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	619.78	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	435.69	
Melvin Miller	73.50	
F. W. Anderson	63.00	
	$ 2,999.61	
Balance to Revenue	.39	
		$ 3,000.00

East St., Adams & Gerrish Rds.

Surplus Revenue		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 27.20	
Harold Clough	21.60	
Henry Bassett	21.60	
Ronald Winship	17.55	
George Smalley	19.20	
Charles Leach	19.20	
Highway Machinery	54.00	
American Tar Co.	941.89	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	221.76	
Greenfield Farmers Co-op.	99.72	
Peter Yarmac	66.00	
	$ 1,509.72	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	490.28	
		$ 2,000.00

Railings

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 68.00	
Harold Clough	64.80	

Henry Bassett	86.40	
Ronald Winship	54.00	
Robert Williams	8.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
George Smalley	38.40	
Ernest Kenney	19.20	
Highway Machinery	72.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	249.84	
Kidder & Co.	6.42	
H. S. Cregar	22.91	
	$ 697.97	
Balance to Revenue	202.03	
		$ 900.00

Bridges

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 95.20	
Harold Clough	75.60	
Henry Bassett	32.40	
Ronald Winship	60.75	
George Smalley	57.60	
Charles Leach	163.20	
Wm. Durant	231.20	
Orrin Carey	56.00	
Alan Bolton	72.00	
Robert Williams	32.00	
David Martin	4.00	
Highway Machinery	73.50	
Smead Lumber Co.	206.41	
Potter Grain Stores	105.60	
Glossie Bentley	116.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	23.91	
Frank Hance	196.24	
Melvin Miller	321.64	
F. M. Dunnell	10.63	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	65.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	990.20	
	$ 2,989.58	
Balance to Revenue	10.42	
		$ 3,000.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Peter Yarmac		1,000.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	$ 6,500.00	
Surplus Revenue	2,000.00	
Reserve Fund	4,005.47	
		$ 12,505.47
Kenneth Miller	$ 1,313.25	
Harold Clough	1,009.80	
Henry Bassett	387.45	
Ronald Winship	873.45	
George Smalley	753.60	
Ernest Kenney	382.20	
Ralph Miller	18.00	
Eugene Miller	12.00	
Robert Hartwell	74.25	
Highway Machinery	2,742.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	2,103.12	
Chemical Corp.	891.50	
Potter Grain Stores	225.00	
Eastern Equipment Co.	165.00	
Melvin Miller	635.10	
Leland Black	219.75	
Orrin Carey	57.00	
Robert McCollum	9.00	
Edmund Morgan	3.00	
Walter Czernich	15.00	
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	616.00	
		$ 12,505.47

Highway Work

Apropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 306.00	
Harold Clough	234.90	
Ronald Winship	170.10	
George Smalley	213.60	
Orrin Carey	32.00	
Melvin Miller	56.70	
Highway Machinery	392.75	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	420.08	
Eastern Equipment Co.	42.00	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	47.34	
Donel Sign Supply	12.00	
Warner Bros., Inc.	33.00	
Young Equipment Co.	18.00	
	$ 1,978.47	
Balance to Revenue	21.53	
		$ 2,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	$ 5,346.00	
Appropriation—North Lane	24.00	
		$ 5,370.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	$ 5,359.00	
Balance to Revenue	11.00	
		$ 5,370.00

Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Balance to Revenue		250.00

Highland Circuit

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 40.80	
Harold Clough	32.40	
Henry Bassett	21.60	
Ronald Winship	21.60	
George Smalley	19.20	
Ernest Kenney	15.60	
Highway Machinery	80.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	52.12	
	$ 283.32	
Balance to Revenue	16.68	
		$ 300.00

Drainage, West Northfield

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Peter Yarmac		500.00

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Shirley Kehl, Salary	$ 1,800.00	
Shirley Kehl, Travel	52.40	
Karlene Holton	270.30	
P. W. Ass'n.	3.00	
Postage	18.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	37.95	
Baker's Inc.	3.29	
Barrett & Baker	16.51	
Remington Rand	15.75	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
Johnson & Johnson	16.75	
Alexander Printing	22.41	
Council State Gov.	1.00	
Boston Social Service Exchange	10.00	
	$ 2,285.36	
Balance to Revenue	714.64	
		$ 3,000.00

General Relief

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Sundry persons	$ 2,760.87	
Balance to Revenue	239.13	
		$ 3,000.00

O.A.A.

Appropriation	$ 38,000.00	
Transferred to D. A.	2,000.00	
		$ 36,000.00
Sundry persons	$ 35,223.83	
Balance to Revenue	776.17	
		$ 36,000.00

A.D.C.

Appropriation		$ 6,000.00
Sundry persons	$ 3,003.28	
Balance to Revenue	2,996.72	
		$ 6,000.00

D.A.

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Transferred from O.A.A.	2,000.00	
Refund	.96	
		$ 5,000.96
Sundry persons	$ 4,165.25	
Balance to Revenue	835.71	
		$ 5,000.96

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		$ 3,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 1,349.71	
Balance to Revenue	2,150.29	
		$ 3,500.00

School Committee

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Irving J. Lawrence	$ 100.00	
Roy J. Fish	100.00	
Evelyn U. True	100.00	
		$ 300.00

Schools

Appropriation		$108,750.00
George M. Leonard	$ 4,766.56	
Conrad S. Bayley	2,173.28	
John C. Trumbull	2,966.56	
Nellie Dearstyne	4,016.56	
Evelyn G. Lawley	4,326.64	
Beryle Hammond	3,679.84	
Barbara Baker	2,133.28	
M. Carleton Brown	4,036.56	
Aaron C. Barnard	3,466.56	

Henry J. Lasak	1,000.00
Raymond Buell, Jr.	1,133.28
Dorothy Herrick	4,246.56
Harvey Cadwell	3,413.28
Mary Dalton	3,946.56
Evelyn Parker	3,880.00
Virginia Haack	3,679.84
Mary Lee Brady	1,933.28
Dorothea Holt	3,866.56
Ruth Bolton	3,778.00
Sylvia Cook	1,013.28
Jean Kozlowski	1,330.28
Elizabeth Mayberry	45.00
Ruby North	74.00
Ann Clark	45.00
Esther Leonard	40.50
Agnes Grupe	18.00
Marguerite Upham	27.00
Dorothy Persons	18.00
Catherine Sheldon	96.00
F. Sumner Turner, Superintendent	2,484.99
F. Sumner Turner, Travel	168.81
Jean Smead	52.50
Ann Parker	474.97
Lois Bistrek	210.00
Esther Galbraith	956.55
Jeannette L. Rich	736.00
W. L. Rinehart	450.00
Dr. F. W. Dean	300.00
Marion C. Billings	700.00
John Spindler	2,700.00
William Janes	592.55
John Ware	997.15
David Billings	9.45
Stephen Mastaler	50.00
The Northfield	12,348.00
Eugene L. Miller	5,128.91
Robert Dumbreck	1,333.10
Ginn & Co.	343.06
World Book Co.	40.25
Row, Peterson Co.	349.22
Scott, Foresman	43.74
Bernard Walbridge	39.60
Webster Pub. Co.	26.58
Wilcox & Follett	151.40
Laidlaw Bros.	32.33
Henry Holt & Co.	49.46

Garrard Press	27.56
Sundry Persons, Text Books	101.85
Cascade Paper Co.	848.96
Hamilton S. Cregar	370.93
Royal Paper Co.	22.42
Gribbons Music House	68.27
Miller Paper Co.	161.21
Hearne Co.	37.50
Milton Bradley Co.	183.35
J. L. Hammett Co.	88.69
Phillips Paper Co.	135.00
Gledhill Bros.	68.79
Ruwe Pencil Co.	49.53
Sundry persons, students' supplies	41.28
Huntington Laboratories	27.76
C. B. Dolge Co.	309.58
J. I. Holcombe Mfg. Co.	50.55
Edward Canter Co.	25.70
Du Ev Products	38.44
Richard D. Smith, Inc.	228.05
Sundry persons, janitor supplies	69.48
Lodge Petroleum Co.	1,781.06
Turners Falls Coal Co.	1,497.74
C. W. Herrick	8.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	1,524.30
Northfield Water Co.	92.87
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	306.23
Postage	35.00
Welch Mfg. Co.	24.21
Commonwealth of Mass.	30.00
California Test Bureau	109.31
Audubon Society	120.31
Mass. Ass'n. for School Committees	25.00
Leland Black	20.00
Paul Thompson	51.00
Sundries	129.71
Athletic Trainers' Supply	53.90
E. F. Holland Co.	172.58
School Crafters	3.85
Lou Misium	71.50
Sundry persons, Referees	44.00
George Corsiglia Co.	194.20
Alfred E. Holton	28.60
Int. Business Machines	36.99
Paul Mayberry	89.70
Lake Asphalt Co.	362.34
Remington Rand	72.29

Mass. Div. of the Blind	51.00	
Edward Bolton	132.90	
Sundry persons, Repairs	73.02	
The Hubers	1,274.00	
Town of Greenfield, Vocational	1,039.60	
Town of Montague, Vocational	5.40	
Carlisle Hardware Co.	63.20	
Pioneer Valley Regional Com.	106.96	
Michael Urgielewcz	7.25	
George Leonard, expenses	24.30	
Harold Clough	27.00	
Highway Machinery	30.00	
Domestic Science expense	4.25	
Esther Leonard, census	37.65	
	$108,635.00	
Balance to Revenue	115.00	
		$108,750.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation		$ 700.00
Mrs. Adrian Savage	$ 100.00	
Mrs. Sylvia Spencer	100.00	
Douglas Jones	100.00	
Ralph Sargent	100.00	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	40.00	
John Spindler	100.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	40.00	
	$ 580.00	
Balance to Revenue	120.00	
		$ 700.00

P.V. Regional School Operating Budget

Appropriation	$ 1,308.00
P. V. Regional School	1,308.00

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation	$ 150.00
Northfield Farms Library Ass'n.	150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		$ 5,800.00
Florence Phelps	$ 2,300.00	
Evangeline Cook	960.53	
Rebecca Jackson	105.00	
Agda Huber	47.00	
Louise Reeves	10.00	
Gwendolyn Leavis	7.00	
Edna Barber	600.00	

Western Mass. Electric Co.	177.53	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	69.00	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
F. M. Dunnell	500.66	
L. A. Barber, supplies	59.70	
Avery's Store	2.88	
Melvin L. Miller	10.00	
Alfred E. Holton	26.24	
Leavis & Bolton	29.40	
The Hubers	95.34	
C. B. Dolge Co.	15.26	
Acme Chemical Co.	3.93	
Demco Library Supplies	50.54	
Tracy R. Burdick	12.50	
C. H. Demonds	12.45	
Barrett & Baker	.60	
J. Wesby & Sons	59.52	
H. W. Wilson Co.	23.60	
American Home	6.00	
Readers Digest	7.00	
Readers Digest Condensed Books	10.00	
Library Book House	512.31	
Field Enterprises	1.50	
Gaylord Bros.	2.45	
Nathaniel Dame	20.00	
National Baseball Congress	1.25	
Malcolm Parks	8.00	
The Bookstore	2.50	
National Geographic	10.00	
Michael Murphy	6.30	
Playmates Magazine	5.00	
Northfield Press	2.00	
Phelps, Petty Cash	15.00	
		$ 5,800.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 250.00
John Spindler	$ 120.00	
Gray's Drapery Shop	56.84	
Hamilton S. Cregar	32.25	
Alfred E. Holton	18.80	
Paul Mayberry	10.37	
Gladys Bistrek	11.74	
		$ 250.00

Install Rest Room at Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 850.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	$ 524.36	
Alfred E. Holton	16.67	
Paul Mayberry	196.64	
The Hubers	78.00	
Gray's Drapery Shop	15.50	
Wainshal Furniture	16.00	
	$ 847.17	
Balance to Revenue	2.83	
		$ 850.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 5,300.00
Colton's Ins. Agency	$ 1,944.45	
Roy J. Fish	1,166.37	
Powell Ins. Agency	1,790.57	
	$ 4,901.39	
Balance to Revenue	398.61	
		$ 5,300.00

Interest

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Damages

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Balance to Revenue		$200.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Northfield Water Co.	$ 25.00	
H. S. Cregar	6.69	
W. K. Parker	22.50	
	$ 54.19	
Balance to Revenue	95.81	
		$ 150.00

Town Reports

Appropriation	$ 900.00	
Reserve Fund	175.16	
		$ 1,075.16
W. F. Hoehn	$ 30.41	
E. A. Hall & Co.	1,004.75	
Postage	30.00	
	$ 1,065.16	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	10.00	
		$ 1,075.16

Tax Title Foreclosure Costs

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Balance to Revenue		300.00

Protection Tax Title Property

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Balance to Revenue		25.00

Memorial Day

Apropriation		$ 275.00
Avery's Store	$ 32.40	
Yetter, Florist	78.00	
Northfield School for Girls	5.33	
	$ 115.73	
Balance to Revenue	159.27	
		$ 275.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1955	$ 179.67	
Appropriation	100.00	
		$ 279.67
F. M. Dunnell	15.17	
U. S. Stationery Co.	12.95	
	$ 28.12	
Balance to 1957	251.55	
		$ 279.67

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation		$ 400.00
John Ware	$ 79.95	
William Janes	23.85	
Athletic Trainers Supply	34.21	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	3.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	48.80	
Spencer Bros.	4.15	
Morgan Garage	5.35	
Hamilton Cregar	2.68	
Ray Smith	7.50	
George Sheldon	5.25	
F. Sumner Turner	1.79	
Melvin Miller	150.00	
	$ 366.53	
Balance to Revenue	33.47	
		$ 400.00

Fish

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Mohawk Trout Hatchery		200.00

Repairs Discontinued School Buildings

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Paul Mayberry	$ 17.83	
Balance to Revenue	232.17	
		$ 250.00

Two Way Radio Communications System

Balance from 1955		$ 26.00
Commonwealth of Mass.		26.00

Relocating Town Boundaries #2 & #10

Appropriation		$ 225.00
F. Deane Avery Associates	$ 135.00	
Balance to 1957	90.00	
		$ 225.00

Repairs to Steeple; Move & Electrify Clock

Surplus Revenue		$ 4,250.00
Unitarian Church	$ 3,565.00	
Balance to 1957	685.00	
		$ 4,250.00

Install Flood Light Over War Memorial

Surplus Revenue		$ 150.00
Balance to 1957		150.00

Maps for Planning Board

Surplus Revenue		$ 400.00
Balance to 1957		400.00

Maps for Assessors

Surplus Revenue		$ 600.00
Balance to 1957		600.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation		$ 1,790.00
Ernest Kenney	$ 1,079.57	
George Thompson	262.80	
Leslie Rice	14.00	
John Hammond	8.23	
Bradley Rogers	11.25	
Robert Randell	75.00	
Murray Hammond	148.02	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
C. V. Railway	5.00	
Kidder & Co.	35.00	
Hamilton S. Cregar	13.90	
G. O. Dunnell	7.35	
Elton Kinsman	17.10	
Melvin Miller	16.00	
J. Herbert Black	3.00	
Ernest Nash	4.80	
Ray Thompson	1.98	
David Quinn	75.00	
		$ 1,790.00

Cemetery Lots Filing System

Balance from 1955	$ 215.25	
Balance to 1957		$ 215.25

Veterans' Grave Markers

Appropriation	$	50.00
Balance to 1957		50.00

Fire Station Bond Maturing Debt and Interest

Appropriation		$ 4,332.00
Day Trust Co.		4,332.00

P. V. Regional School Capital Budget

Appropriation		$ 16,069.45
P. V. Regional School District		16,069.45

Fire Station and Town Garage

Balance from 1955		$ 488.96
Peter Yarmac		488.96

O.A.A. Administration—U.S.G.

Balance from 1955	$ 795.88	
Receipts	1,674.06	
		$ 2,469.94
Shirley Kehl, Salary	$ 1,500.00	
Shirley Kehl, Travel	34.76	
Karlene Holton	267.75	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	29.70	
Postage	12.00	
Barrett & Baker	14.88	
Burroughs Corp.	2.10	
Hobbs & Warren	5.20	
Johnson & Johnson	6.25	
	$ 1,872.64	
Balance to 1957	597.30	
		$ 2,469.94

O.A.A. — U.S.G

Balance from 1955	$ 10,472.53	
Receipts	17,998.72	
Refunds	59.35	
Recoveries	3,381.32	
		$ 31,911.92
Sundry persons	$ 19,915.31	
Balance to 1957	11,996.61	
		$ 31,911.92

A.D.C. Administration—U.S.G.

Balance from 1955	$ 444.19	
Receipts	470.62	
		$ 914.81
Shirley Kehl, Salary	$ 300.00	
Shirley Kehl, Travel	5.46	
Karlene Holton	53.56	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.10	
Johnson & Johnson	14.25	
	$ 378.37	
Balance to 1957	536.44	
		$ 914.81

A.D.C. — U.S.G.

Balance from 1955	$ 439.35	
Receipts	1,817.50	
		$ 2,256.85
Sundry persons	$ 1,746.25	
Balance to 1957	510.60	
		$ 2,256.85

D.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance from 1955	$ 317.64	
Receipts	112.97	
		$ 430.61
Balance to 1957		430.61

D.A. — U.S.G.

Balance from 1955	$ 809.24	
Receipts	918.00	
		$ 1,727.24
Sundry persons	893.67	
Balance to 1957	833.57	
		$ 1,727.24

School Lunch

Balance from 1955	$ 3,548.11	
Receipts	17,474.43	
Refund	12.50	
		$ 21,035.04
Minnie Huber	$ 1,888.75	
Susie Hillock	435.20	
Jennie Wozniak	354.20	
Rose Huber	465.50	
Hazel Stratton	19.20	
Catherine Huber	16.00	
Loretta Peterson	612.00	
Velma Miller	228.00	
Esther Clough	79.00	
Donna Glazier	56.50	

Adriel Carpenter	90.00	
Carol Merrifield	27.50	
Frank Stewart	1.00	
Tevlin Poneck	2.50	
Tenney Farms	4,255.53	
C. H. Wilson	305.68	
Mark Aldrich	688.08	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	2,189.68	
Andrew Plotczyk	57.61	
Way Foss	158.75	
Donald Herron	55.50	
Clarkdale Fruit Farms	62.00	
G. Giovino	209.08	
John Sexton & Co.	1,031.29	
Ruggeri Locker Plant	46.95	
Com. of Mass.	100.40	
Salter's Express	72.36	
General Baking Co.	883.28	
Robert Dumbreck	58.70	
Holyoke Auction Co.	3,563.00	
Progressive Ideas Co.	533.05	
Plastic Tag & Trade Check Co.	17.88	
J. I. Holcomb Co.	58.75	
Dubois Co.	15.98	
Reynolds Electric Co.	1.71	
Ward's Stationers	25.00	
F. Sumner Turner	22.00	
George H. Sheldon	4.50	
M. Huber	3.00	
Beryle Hammond	4.50	
Hamilton S. Cregar	4.48	
Paul Mayberry	72.34	
Alfred E. Holton	38.84	
George Corsiglia	131.19	
Barrett & Baker	2.75	
Wilson's Inc.	20.50	
	$ 18,969.71	
Balance to 1957	2,065.33	
		$ 21,035.04

School Athletics

Balance from 1955	$ 96.43	
Receipts	363.65	
		$ 460.08
The Northfield	$ 174.25	
Abbie Burrows	15.00	
Grace Butterweck	22.50	

Sally MacIntyre	5.00	
Evelyn Smith	5.00	
Virginia Hatton	10.00	
Louis Misium	20.00	
Edward F. Treml	40.00	
Walter Kostanski	30.00	
John Skrypeck	70.00	
	$ 391.75	
Balance to 1957	68.33	
		$ 460.08

Smith-Hughes-George Barden Fund

Balance from 1955		$ 200.00
Ralph Sargent	$ 100.00	
Sylvia Spencer	100.00	
		$ 200.00

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund

Balance from 1955	$ 515.01	
Interest	60.60	
		$ 575.61
Sundry persons	$ 15.00	
Balance to 1957	560.61	
		$ 575.61

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

Balance from 1955	$ 222.49	
Interest	90.68	
		$ 313.17
Sundry persons	$ 53.00	
Balance to 1957	260.17	
		$ 313.17

Belcher Center School Fund

Balance from 1955	$ 74.38	
Interest	36.99	
		$ 111.37
Edward C. Bolton	$ 41.40	
Balance to 1957	69.97	
		$ 111.37

Belcher Library Fund

Balance from 1955	$ 261.47	
Interest	275.64	
		$ 537.11
The Hubers	$ 195.00	
Leavis & Bolton	243.57	
	$ 438.57	
B alance to 1957	98.54	
		$ 537.11

Dickinson Book Fund

Interest		$ 83.06
Library Book House	$ 71.36	
Balance to 1957	11.70	
		$ 83.06

P.C. Funds Center, Mt. Hermon, South Mt. Cemeteries

Balance from 1955	$ 414.33	
Interest	416.28	
		$ 830.61
Ernest Kenney	$ 508.03	
Elton Kinsman	1.00	
	$ 509.03	
Balance to 1957	321.58	
		$ 830.61

P.C. Funds Northfield Farms

Balance from 1955	$ .17	
Interest	106.82	
		$ 106.99
Murray Hammond	$ 45.72	
Elton Kinsman	3.50	
Morgan Garage	1.50	
	$ 50.72	
Balance to 1957	56.27	
		$ 106.99

P.C. Funds West Northfield

Balance from 1955	$ 176.98	
Interest	242.72	
		$ 419.70
Carlton Holton	$ 63.40	
Alexander Higgins	21.50	
Bradley Rogers	72.50	
Kidder & Co.	11.90	
	$ 169.30	
Balance to 1957	250.40	
		$ 419.70

Recapitulation

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Moderator	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	——
Selectmen's & Welfare Board	1,200.00	1,200.00	——
Selectmen's Expense	274.93	274.93	——
Town Accountant	950.00	950.00	——

Accountant's Expense	75.00	75.00	——
Legal Expense	250.00	250.00	——
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	——
Collector's Expense	500.00	500.00	——
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	——
Treasurer's Expense	400.00	400.00	——
Assessors & Clerk	1,400.00	1,400.00	——
Assessors' Expense	254.32	254.32	——
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	——
Town Clerk's Expense	80.00	38.95	41.05
Election & Registration	2,000.00	1,350.79	649.21
Town Hall	5,000.00	4,897.58	102.42
Town Hall Curtains	505.00	505.00	——
Constables & Expense	861.43	861.43	——
Purchase of Hose & Misc. Equip.	2,000.00	1,158.30	841.70
Hydrant Service	400.00	400.00	——
Waterholes	400.00	400.00	——
Maintenance Fire Sta. & Garage	1,385.09	1,385.09	——
Public Safety	25.00	25.00	——
Wire Inspector	50.00	——	50.00
Sealer Wgts. & Measures & Expense	175.00	175.00	——
Dutch Elm	1,800.00	1,795.35	4.65
Tree Warden	600.00	600.00	——
Health	1,300.00	887.51	412.49
Nurse & Substitute	2,800.00	2,750.00	50.00
Nurse's Expense	75.00	23.41	51.59
Nurse's Car Expense	350.00	200.33	149.67
Nurse's Car Trade	1,600.00	1,169.00	431.00
Inspection of Animals	241.66	241.66	——
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Tools	200.00	169.78	30.22
Chapter 81	22,750.00	22,750.00	——
Chapter 90	3,000.00	2,999.61	.39
Railings	900.00	697.97	202.03
Bridges	3,000.00	2,989.58	10.42
Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00	1,000.00	——
Snow Removal	12,505.47	12,505.47	——
Highway Work	2,000.00	1,978.47	21.53
Street Lights	5,370.00	5,359.00	11.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	250.00	——	250.00
Highland Circuit	300.00	283.32	16.68
Suitable Drainage, West Nfld.	500.00	500.00	——
Public Welfare Adm.	3,000.00	2,285.36	714.64
General Relief	3,000.00	2,760.87	239.13
O.A.A.	36,000.00	35,223.83	776.17
A.D.C.	6,000.00	3,003.28	2,996.72
D.A.	5,000.00	4,165.25	835.71

Soldiers' Relief	3,500.00	1,349.71	2,150.29
School Committee	300.00	300.00	——
Schools	108,750.00	108,635.00	115.00
Adult Vocational Education	700.00	580.00	120.00
Pioneer Valley Operating Budget	1,308.00	1,308.00	——
Northfield Farms Library	150.00	150.00	
Dickinson Library	5,800.00	5,800.00	——
Alexander Hall	250.00	250.00	——
Alexander Hall Rest Room	850.00	847.17	2.83
Insurance	5,300.00	4,901.39	398.61
Interest	200.00	——	200.00
Damages	200.00	——	200.00
Town Clock & Fountain	150.00	54.19	95.81
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	——	300.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	——	25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	115.73	159.27
Playground & Athletic Field	400.00	366.53	33.47
Fish	200.00	200.00	——
Repairs to discontinued School Bldgs.	250.00	17.83	232.17
Two Way Radio System	26.00	26.00	——
Cemeteries	1,790.00	1,790.00	——
Fire Station Bonds & Interest	4,332.00	4,332.00	——
Pioneer Valley Capital Budget	16,069.45	16,069.45	——
Fire Sta. — Town Garage	488.96	488.96	——
Unexpended balances to Revenue			
Fire Dept	2,651.78	2,638.47	13.31
Dog Officer	185.00	156.94	28.06
Town Reports	1,075.16	1,065.16	10.00
Reserve Fund	——	——	10.16
Unexpended balances to Overlay Reserve			
Gypsy Moth	650.00	647.20	2.80
East St., Adams & Gerrish Roads	2,000.00	1,509.72	490.28
Unexpended balances to Surplus Revenue			
Machinery Maintenance	5,007.35	4,735.10	272.25
Purchase Snow plow & Sander	1,750.00	1,666.37	83.63
Unexpended balances to Road Machinery Fund			
Constable's Uniforms & Equipment	100.00	——	100.00
Hwy Chapter 90	12,000.00	4,296.23	7,703.77
Civil Defense	279.67	28.12	251.55
Relocating Town Boundaries #2 & #10	225.00	135.00	90.00
Repairs to Steeple; Move & Electrify Clock	4,250.00	3,565.00	685.00
Floodlight War Memorial	150.00	——	150.00
Cemetery Filing System	215.25	——	215.25
Veterans' Grave Markers	50.00	——	50.00

Town Map for Planning Board	400.00	——	400.00
Town Map for Assessors	600.00	——	600.00
Unexpended balances to 1957			
Refunds on Taxes		949.24	
Costs on Taxes		112.45	
USG—OAA Adm		1,872.64	
USG—OAA Assistance		19,915.31	
USG—ADC Adm.		378.37	
USG—ADC Assistance		1,746.25	
USG—DA Adm.		——	
USG—DA Assistance		893.67	
School Lunch		18,969.71	
School Athletics		391.75	
Dog Licenses		680.00	
Federal Witholding Taxes		13,699.39	
County Retirement Deductions		1,782.74	
Mass. Hospital Service		1,254.60	
Sale of Real Estate—to Savings Acct.		1,260.00	
State Parks & Reservations		508.98	
State Audit		974.15	
U. S. Bond Income—to Savings Acct.		250.00	
Veterans Service Center		793.44	
County Retirement System		2,135.90	
County Tax		10,967.39	
County Dog Officer		253.50	
Wild Cat Bounty		50.00	
Refund—Interest on deferred taxes		.51	
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund		15.00	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund		53.00	
Belcher Center School Fund		41.40	
Belcher Library Fund		438.57	
Dickinson Book Fund		71.36	
P. C. Center, Mt. H. & South Mt. Cemeteries		509.03	
P.C. Northfield Farms Cemetery		50.72	
P.C. West Northfield Cemetery		169.30	
Smith Hughes—George Barden Fund		200.00	
Trust Funds—to Savings Acct.		500.00	
Total Cash payments by warrants			374,954.08
Cash on hand December 31, 1956			120,243.63
			495,197.71

BALANCE SHEET, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1956

Assets

Cash			120,243.63
Acct. Rec.			
Taxes			
1953 Real Estate		21.45	
1954 Personal Property	228.15		
1954 Real Estate	943.70	1,171.85	
1955 Polls	46.00		
1955 Personal Property	452.74		
1955 Real Estate	3,600.71	4,099.45	
1956 Polls	180.00		

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	1,324.88	
County Retirement	257.52	
Mass. Hospital Service	428.10	
		2,010.50
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		275.38
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	560.61	
George F. Morgan Charity	260.17	
Roselle A. Evans Worthy Poor	142.85	
Belcher Center School	69.97	
Belcher Library	98.54	
Montague Library	104.47	
Dickinson Book	11.70	
P.C. Center, Mt. H., & South Mt. Cemeteries	321.58	
P.C. Northfield Farms	56.27	
P.C. West Northfield	250.40	
P.C. Mary Callender	46.90	

1956 Personal Prop.	2,791.13		
1956 Real Estate	19,557.99	22,529.12	27,821.87
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise			
Levy of 1954	481.60		
Levy of 1955	2,571.32		
Levy of 1956	7,787.80		10,840.72
Tax Titles & Possession			
Titles	4,986.08		
Possessions	417.66		5,403.74
Departmental			
Sidewalk Const.	112.38		
General Relief	1,034.64		
Aid to Dependent Children	519.90		
Veterans' Benefits	77.26		1,744.18
Aid to Highways			
P.C. Calvin Stearns	33.63		1,957.09
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance			
Administration	597.30		
Assistance	11,996.61	12,593.91	
Aid to Dependent Children			
Administration	536.44		
Assistance	510.60	1,047.04	
Disability Assistance			
Administration	430.61		
Assistance	833.57	1,264.18	14,905.13
Revolving Funds			
School Lunch	2,065.33		
School Athletics	68.33		2,133.66
Appropriation Balances			
Constables Uniforms & Equip.	100.00		
Hwy. Chapter 90 Const.	7,703.77		
Civil Defense	251.55		
Relocating Town Boundaries #2, #10	90.00		
Repairs to Steeple Move & Electrify Clock	685.00		
Floodlight War Memorial	150.00		
Cemetery Filing System	215.25		
Cemetery—Veterans Grave Markers	50.00		

State	13,825.05		Town Map for Planning Board	400.00	
County	4,000.00	17,825.05	Town Map for Assessors	600.00	10,245.57
			Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,705.12
Underestimates			Road Machinery Fund		10,578.99
State Parks & Res.	211.32		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		5,232.21
County Tax	695.51	906.83	Overlays Reserved for Abatements		
			Levy of 1953	21.45	
Overdrawn—Due from County			Levy of 1954	1,171.85	
			Levy of 1955	3,636.47	
County Dog Officer		26.00	Levy of 1956	2,497.80	7,327.57
			Revenue Reserved Until Collected		
			Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	10,840.72	
			Tax Titles & Tax Possessions	5,403.74	
			Departmental	1,744.18	
			State & County Aid to Hwys.	17,825.05	
					35,813.69
			Surplus Revenue		92,627.11
		184,812.02			184,812.02

Debt Accounts

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	54,000.00	Fire Station & Garage Loan	54,000.00

Trust and Investment Accounts

Trust and Investment Funds	
Cash and Securities	
In Custody of Treasurer	64,249.89
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,818.81
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$76,595.20

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	2,020.00
Martha Alexander Charity Fund	9,818.81
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	925.48
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
Dickinson Book Fund	3,000.00
Montague Library Fund	2,000.00
Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Belcher Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
Mary Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00
West Northfield Cemetery Funds	8,670.00
P.C. Cemetery Funds	
In Custody of Treasurer	13,664.75
In Custody of Selectmen	303.00
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
Post War Rehabilitation Funds	13,631.99
Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,268.66
	76,595.20

STATE AUDIT, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1955

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash		$112,832.53
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1951		
Real Estate		54.00
Levy of 1952		
Real Estate		139.40
Levy of 1953		
Personal Property	$ 16.00	
Real Estate	589.00	605.00
Levy of 1954		
Poll,	42.00	
Personal Property	730.93	
Real Estate	5,841.78	6,614.71
Levy of 1955		
Poll	178.00	

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	$ 1,093.60	
County Retirement System	193.88	$ 1,287.48
Dog Licenses—Due County		3.60
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		275.38
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	$ 515.01	
George F. Morgan Charity	222.49	
Roselle Evans Charity	127.74	
Belcher Center School	74.38	
Belcher Library	261.47	
Maude Montague Library	54.47	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	414.50	
West Northfield Cemetery	176.98	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery	31.79	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	18.52	1,897.35
Old Age Assistance Recovery		5,460.97

Personal Property	2,514.00	
Real Estate	14,381.43	17,073.43
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1954	1,992.62	
Levy of 1955	5,199.22	7,191.84
Tax Titles and Possessions		
Tax Titles	4,334.84	
Tax Possessions	417.66	4,752.50
Departmental		
Sidewalk Construction	112.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,150.99	
Schools	261.30	1,524.67
Aid to Highways		
State	25,308.59	
County	2,000.00	27,308.59
Overdrawn Account		
Flood and Storm Damage		7,999.86
Federal Grants		
Disability Assistance		
Administration	317.64	
Assistance	809.24	
Aid to Dependent Children		
Administration	444.19	
Aid	439.35	
Old Age Assistance		
Administration	795.88	
Assistance	10,472.53	
Vocational Education		
Smith-Hughes, George Barden Fund	200.00	13,478.83
Revolving Funds		
School Lunch	3,548.11	
School Athletics	96.43	3,644.54
Appropriation Balances		
Revenue		
Civil Defense	179.67	
Radio System (2 way)	26.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	215.25	
Non-Revenue		
Fire Station and Garage	488.96	909.88

		Overestimates 1955 Assessments	
		State Recreation Areas	46.19
		County Tax	139.94	186.13
		Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,260.00
		Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	1,705.12
		Road Machinery Fund	9,052.36
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	7,685.44
		Overlays Reserved for Abatements	
		Levy of 1951	54.00
		Levy of 1952	139.40
		Levy of 1953	605.00
		Levy of 1954	2,898.14
		Levy of 1955	3,894.47	7,591.01
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected	
		Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	7,191.84
		Tax Title and Possession	4,752.50
		Departmental	1,524.67
		Aid to Highway	27,308.59	40,777.60
		Surplus Revenue	90,880.84
	$186,096.53		$186,096.53

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 57,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$ 57,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	
In Custody of Treasurer	62,609.55
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,918.81
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$ 75,054.86

In Custody of Treasurer		
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	900.56	
George F. Morgan Charity	3,000.00	
Roselle Evans Charity	500.00	
Surplus Revenue School	1,600.00	
Belcher Center School	1,250.00	
Belcher Library	9,739.01	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3,000.00	
Maude Montague Library	2,000.00	
James W. Cowles Cemetery	2,000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery	2,000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500.00	
Mary H. Callender Cem.	500.00	
West Northfield Cemetery	8,670.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	13,664.75	
Post-War Rehabilitation	13,285.23	62,609.55
In Custody of Selectmen		
Elisha Alexander Charity	2,020.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	303.00	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees		
Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund		9,918.81
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		203.50
		$ 75,054.86

DICKINSON LIBRARY REPORT

During the year 1956-7, the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library consisted of the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, chairman; Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway, Mrs. Lillian G. Wells, Mr. Luman A. Barber, Mr. Horace H. Morse, secretary, and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the town meeting of February 6, 1956 Mrs. Louise M. Reeves and Mr. Luman A. Barber were elected to the Library Board to serve for three years.

The Great Books of the Western World, of which the librarian speaks in her report, have been exhibited, photographed, and the prospectus published in the Greenfield Recorder-Gazette. The librarian has found them very useful in reference work, for they include classics which the Library has never before possessed. With this complete equipment it is now possible to organize one of those study groups which in recent years have proved most stimulating in promoting serious intellectual interests.

The addition of a new bulletin board has increased the space available for notices and exhibitions. An outside sign has just been completed, and a light installed on the Library steps makes much safer the approach from the sidewalk. New outlets for lights inside make possible lighting for some hitherto dark spots in the building. The entrance doors have been refinished.

Since April 27, 1956 the Library has been opened on Friday instead of Thursday evenings.

A hasty reading of the Librarian's report of the activities which she and her staff carry on will give little notion of the faithful and efficient work they do. From the Regional Library Center we are assured that the service of the Dickinson Memorial Library is notably efficient.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman

HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Report of the librarian to the trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library for the year, 1956.

The total circulation of books, magazines, pamphlets, etc., for the year 1956, was 26,444, a decrease of 562 from the total circulation for 1955. Circulation distributed as follows:

Books, adult fiction	8,090
Books, adult non-fiction	3,226
Books, juvenile fiiction	7,647
Books, juvenile non-fiction	2,209
Magazines, adult	1,423
Magazines, juvenile	428
Bookmobile books, adult	2,154
Bookmobile books, juvenile	1,244
Interlibrary loan	23
	26,444

Total number of books added to the library in 1956:

By purchase, adult fiction	103
By purchase, adult non-fiction	66
By purchase, juvenile fiction	60
By purchase, juvenile non-fiction	28
Gifts, adult and juvenile	248
Total	505

Total number added in 1955 was 494.

During the year, the State Regional Library Center of Greenfield, an extension of the State Division of Public Libraries, Boston, loaned 1,508 volumes to the library, which included 3 books in the Polish language.

The library subscribes to 12 adult magazines and 3 children's magazines; 19 magazines, adult and juvenile, are gifts from friends.

The present registration includes 255 student and 553 adult residents; 14 non-residents registered the past year.

Although no record of reference work was kept for the whole year, 37 subjects were listed during the busiest months of October and November, and many requests for picture material were received.

A total of $210.65, received as fines on overdue books, and for damaged or lost books, was paid to the town treasurer, Charles Slate.

The "Summer Reading Contest" was held again this past year with an enrollment of 50, although 28 actually completed the project. A total of 215 books were read as compared to 268 for 1955; or, 9.5 books per person for 1955 and 7.6 books per person for 1956.

Winners were: Group one, David Rogers and Carolyn Gibson; Group 2, Marcia Eastman and Kathy Powers; Group 3, Amy St. Clair and Carol Atwood. Books were given as prizes.

During July and August, Rebecca Jackson, a freshman at Northfield High School, worked 16 hours per week as junior assistant. She assisted with filing of magazines, putting away books, reading the shelves, hearing oral reports of books read by the Summer Reading Contestants, and filing of other material.

The following gifts of books were made to the library, in memoriam: Men and Gardens, by Fairbrother, from Mrs. Virginia Haack and Mrs. Adele Haynes in memory of their mother; The Autobiography of "Grandma Moses," from Miss Marion Andrew in memory of her grandmother; This Fascinating Lumber Business, by Horn, from the Misses Piccalo and Elton in memory of Mr. Glossie Bentley; The autobiography of Salom Rizk, entitled "The Syrian Yankee," was given by "The Fortnightly;" and, "Guide to Early American Homes-North," by D. & R. Pratt, by the Ladies' of the Congregational Sewing Society, in memory of Mrs. Martin E. Vorse.

Mrs. Vorce was head librarian in this library from 1929 to 1941.

Other donors were: Walter Fisher, The Newton Library, Philip Payne, Ruth Martin, May Cook, Percy Goodspeed, Mrs. Herbert Seeley, Mrs. Edward M. Powell, Remington Rand, The Kellogg Foundation and Mrs. Robert Livingstone.

The most outstanding gift of the year was the 54 Volume Set of "The Great Books of the Western World," presented to our Library through the generosity of the Old Dominion Foundation and distributed by The American Library Association. These books are now available to all residents of Northfield and may be procured through inter-library loan, by other libraries, in this vicinity. It is hoped that our library will be able to form a "Great Books Discussion Group," in the near future.

During the year, 124 students from the 7th and 8th grades were given instruction by the librarian, on the "use" of the library, with special emphasis on locating material in the Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature. Classes were held during the morning hours when the library is closed.

Exhibits the past year included: "Books in Spanish language from the Pan-American Countries;" "The little Red School House" and other wood carvings made by Emory Rikert, and the "Veteran's Memorial," by Mr. Rikert.

The librarian and her assistant, Mrs. Evangeline Cook, wish to thank the trustees for their cooperation and help during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE H. PHELPS, Librarian

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

During the year there were thirty-seven dogs picked up, boarded the required six days and destroyed. These dogs wore no collars or tags. There were eight dogs picked up and later claimed by their owners. These also wore no license tags although some had collars with no name on them.

If all dog owners would put a collar with his name on it, on his dog, as well as his license tag a great many of these pick-ups would be unnecessary.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT L. GIBSON, Dog Officer

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Northfield Fire Department experienced another busy year. A total of 46 calls were answered during 1956. The breakdown of calls received is as follows:

Brush and grass fires 20, chimney fires 9, buildings 8, automobiles 3, mutual aid 1 and miscellaneous 5.

In addition 12 regular monthly meetings and several training sessions were held during the year.

The most tragic fire in many years was the Perry Farm fire on South Mountain on January 23d, 1956, resulting in the loss of two lives.

During late winter we answered several chimney fires and one building fire call.

In the spring we were unusually busy with grass and brush fires. During the summer months more building fire calls were received because of the severe storms. Less grass and brush fire calls were received during the Fall than ordinary.

In January the Tri-State Mutual Aid Association announced that the contract for two-way radio communication equipment was awarded to the General Electric Company. Installation of our radio equipment was completed on July 1st. This consists of a base station at the local Fire Station, two mobile units in the fire trucks, three portable units and a portable generator to be used in case of power failure at the Fire Station. We are now in a position to communicate directly with any of the towns within our mutual aid area and also with our state forest fire towers and wardens.

The usefulness and value of the radio system has proved itself far beyond our expectations during the short time it has been in operation. We have received and transmitted some 75 separate messages to actual fires, locating fires and dispatching equipment.

Other new equipment purchased during the year was 500 feet, 2½" hose, 500 feet, 1⅛" hose, two Scott Air Pack units with four spare air tanks and two 2½" combination nozzles.

Again, I want to thank the Firemen, residents of Northfield and all others who have contributed to the success of the Department this year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD M. DUNNELL, JR.
Fire Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

During the past year a total of 718 permits were issued.

All smoke reported by state observation towers or townspeople was checked with permits issued. If none was issued an investigation was made and any necessary action taken.

Permits are needed at all times for all open fires large or small.

There have been several complaints of smoke hazards caused by burning leaves in the thickly settled sections of town. A ruling has been passed by the selectmen that no burning is to be done on the highway or town owned property adjoining the highway.

There were 16 open air fires that required extinguishing.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS, Warden to August 31, 1956

HOWARD WILLIAMS, Forest Fire Warden as of September 1, 1956

TREE WARDEN REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as Tree Warden for the year ending December 31, 1956.

In the past year 32 trees were removed from our streets and highways, also a number of trees were trimmed.

I would like to thank Mr. Patch and his crew from the Western Massachusetts Electric Co. for all the help they gave me the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH L. MILLER, Tree Warden

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board met five times at the Town Hall in 1956. George Sheldon was elected chairman. Harvey Hatheway was elected the fifth member of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gordon Buffum.

The main business of the board this year was the making of plans to obtain an official map of the Town of Northfield for use of the board with regard to future zoning of Northfield, and for use of the assessors, especially in equalizing real estate assessments and finding lost property. The money for this map was appropriated at a special town meeting on December 10. The map is now being prepared and it is hoped that we may present it at the annual town meeting.

The matter of a possible new gas station at the site of the Whitney property on Main Street came before the board and certain details are still under advisement.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, Secretary

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my third annual report as Public Health Nurse.

Eleven polio vaccination clinics were conducted during the past year. Local doctors alternate in attendance at these clinics and participation has been about 90% of the census. The third and final shots of the series will begin after January 1.

Thirteen tuberculosis follow-ups were made during the year and 10 taken to the clinic at Franklin County Public Hospital for X-rays. Pupils in grades 8 and 12 and all athletes were Patch tested in May. Only two positive reactions were found among 92 children, which in the final analysis proved to be negative also.

The Greenfield Health Camp accepted two children from Northfield, as has been the case in the past. Both youngsters selected reported a fine time and appeared to benefit from the experience.

This year we tried a new system whereby children wishing appointments to the Well Child Clinic came in alphabetical order rather than individual calls being made in each case. This clinic has now grown to such proportions that it becomes a tremendous task to contact each individual. Dr. Anthony Stone was again in attendance and members of Fortnightly helped with the clerical work.

The Red Cross Blood Bank was most successful and 79 pints of whole blood were collected. The local Grange sponsored the affair and supplied all workers, except medical personnel. Both doctors and many nurses also gave their time.

The Crippled Children's Clinic, held monthly, provides therapy for all those who need it. Ninety-three were treated during the year.

Seven in-service lectures were attended in Amherst and 4 meetings attended locally.

In October and November an instructor's course in Home Nursing was completed. The following is an account of my work for the year:

Non-communicable visits	1,121
Communicable visits	51
Anti-partum visits	7
Post-partum visits	8
Infants' visits	43
Tuberculosis visits	13
Transportation to hospitals and doctors' offices	21
Total visits	1,243
Total fees collected	$286.50

In closing I would like to thank the Fortnightly for the considerable time given to helping with the various clinics. Through the beneficence of the Kiwanis Club many children, including the handicapped, have received special attention. The fine cooperation of all school and town officials has aided my work a great deal.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. BILLINGS

Cemetery Commissioners Report, 1956

The cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year. A tree in the Center cemetery was removed because there was danger of its blowing or falling over and damaging a number of monuments.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT FOR 1956

CENTER CEMETERY

Ernest Kenney	$1,587.80	Kidder and Company	19.90
George Thompson	262.80	G. O. Dunnell	7.35
William F. Hoehn	2.00	Melvin Miller	16.00
Robert E. Randall	75.00	Ray Thompson	1.98
David G. Quinn	75.00	Central Vermont Railway	5.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	12,71		
Elton B. Kinsman	13.30		$2,078.84

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ .50	Bradley Rogers	83.75
Carlton Holton	63.40	Kidder and Company	24.00
Alexander Higgins	21.50		
			$193.15

FARMS CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ .50	Hamilton S. Cregar	1.19
John Hammond	8.23	Herbert A. Black	3.00
Murray M. Hammond	193.74	Ernest A. Nash	4.80
Elton B. Kinsman	8.30	Morgan Garage	1.50
Leslie Rice	14.00		
			235.26

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman
CARLTON W. HOLTON
MURRAY M. HAMMOND
Cemetery Commissioners

Veterans' Agent Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Northfield:

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District Veterans' Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1956:

1,	Active Service	215
2.	Bonus	515
3.	Compensation	498
4.	Death Benefits	595
5.	Discharges	264
6	Education	271
7.	Employment	214
8.	Finance	1,158
9.	Housing	70
10.	Insurance	250
11.	Legal	95
12.	Loans	166
13.	Medical	977
14.	Notarizations	47
15.	Pension	508
16.	Photostats	3,124
17.	Recordings	463
18.	Selective Service	275
19.	Social Security	100
20.	Taxes	558
21.	Veterans Benefits	2,501
22.	Vital Statistics	684
23.	Unclassified	1,222
	Total Contacts	14,770

As in previous annual reports these figures represent contacts for all the veterans of the communities within the jurisdiction of the District.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield rendered assistance to ten families during the year 1956. Nine of these cases were temporary and one was of a permanent nature. These claims were all based on the service of World War II veterans. They resulted in expenditures of $1,349.71. There will be a reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the amount of $764.10 under the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. GAMELIN, Veterans' Agent

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on February 24, 1956, with George W. Carr as Chairman and Mildred E. Addison as Secretary. The Committee has held seven meetings and all financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $5,000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

March	28—To Snow Removal Account	$2,500.00
May	8—Town Report Account	175.16
	Town Hall Curtain Account	5.00
December	3—Dog Officer Account	35.00
	Fire Station Account	250.00
December	31—Selectmen's Account	24.93
	Assessors' Expense	29.32
	Constable Expense Account	111.43
	Fire Department Account	151.78
	Maintenance Fire Station & Town Garage	135.09
	Inspection of Animals Account	66.66
	Snow Removal Account	1,505.47
	Total	$4,989.84
	Balance	10.16

GEORGE W. CARR, Chairman

MILDRED E. ADDISON, Secretary

MARK B. ALDRICH

FRED I. BOLTON

CHARLES W. LLEWELYN

ROSS L. SPENCER

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1956

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chairman	Term expires 1957
Irving Lawrence	Term expires 1959
Evelyn True, Secretary	Term expires 1958

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 10:00 A.M. at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. — Harvard M. Ed.
Boston University—University of Massachusetts
Office, Center School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Ann E. Parker

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1957-1958

Schools Open January 2, 1957	Close February 15, 1957
Schools Open February 25, 1957	Close April 12, 1957
Schools Open April 22, 1957	Close June 13, 1957
Schools Open September 4, 1957	Close December 20, 1957
Schools Open January 2, 1958	Close February 21, 1958

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my ninth annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1956. This is the 220th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Changes in Personnel

As of the close of school in June the following teachers resigned:

Mr. Conrad S. Bayley, High School

Mrs. Barbara Baker, High School

Mrs. Mary L. Brady, Center School

Mrs. Rose Huber, Assistant in the Cafeteria

Mrs. Susie Hillock, Assistant in Cafeteria, on April 6, 1956

Mrs. Jennie Wozniak, Assistant in Cafeteria, September 20, 1956

Mrs. Velma Miller, Assistant in Cafeteria, November 30, 1956

Appointments

Mr. Raymond J. Buell, Jr., B. S. Boston University—High School.

Mr. Henry J. Lasak, B.A. University of New Hampshire—High School.

Mrs. Sylvia Lucie Cook, B.A. Bates College—Center School

Mrs. Loretta Peterson, Assistant in the Cafeteria

Mrs. Velma Miller, Assistant in the Cafeteria

Mrs. Esther Clough, Assistant in the Cafeteria

Pupil Housing Conditions

The increasing number of pupils and the lack of space make our housing condition a very grave problem. Once again, the Alexander Hall Committee has given permission to the School Committee to use both rooms of Alexander Hall. Mr. Leonard's report explains in greater detail the solution of this problem as far as it can be solved with the means at hand.

In the Center School, it was necessary to divide the several grades so that 282 children in six grades might be accommodated in eight

rooms. On December 22, the divisions were as follows:

1	29	Mrs. Ruth Bolton
1	28	Mrs. Dorothea Holt
2	40	Mrs. Virginia Haack
2—3	36	Mrs. Sylvia Cook
3—4	35	Miss Mary Dalton
4	40	Mrs. Jean E. Kozlowski
5	35	Mrs. Evelyn Parker
6	39	Mr. Harvey Cadwell
Total	282	

When it is considered that a reasonable class size is 25, you can easily see how over-loaded is every classroom. When we consider that we have two divided grades of 2 and 3 and 3 and 4, it makes that problem tremendously difficult. In fact, we do not have a single third grade in the building, and that means that every third grade child is in a divided grade. In short, it means that no teacher is able to give to any child a reasonable amount of time for his instruction.

Beginning September, Mrs. Herrick was relieved of her teaching duties to become a Supervising Principal and remedial teacher. Mrs. Herrick has been able to spend more time in an administrative duties, and thus aid the teachers in some of the time-consuming details. She has spent much time in helping individual pupils with their difficulties, and also has been able to help the individual teachers in their classrooms to solve many of their various problems. Much credit should be given to the Principal and the teachers for their complete cooperation and untiring efforts to solve this very unsatisfactory situation.

If the present schedule is maintained, it will mean that the Pioneer Valley Regional School will be ready to open in September, and give the use of the high school for the elementary classes. According to the census figures of October 1, 1956, it will mean that the pupil load in September will be approximately 348, divided as follows:

Kindergarten—50
Grade 1—55
Grade 2—57
Grade 3—57
Grade 4—42
Grade 5—52
Grade 6—35

For the past number of years, the discussion of a Kindergarten has always been shunted to one side, with the excuse that there was

not room. This has been true. Now that room will be available, the School Committee feels that it would be most appropriate to have the Kindergarten in two sections, one section in the morning, and one section in the afternoon. This would entail the hiring of only one Kindergarten teacher and equipment for one-half the total group. The other grades will be divided as follows: Two sections of Grade 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and one section for Grade 6. This will mean that it will be necessary to hire four new teachers, beginning September 1, 1957. The present plan calls for the use of the four classrooms on the south side of the high school. These rooms have been redecorated in the last two years, and with the change of furniture, will make very presentable grade school classrooms. The large study hall will be used as a small assembly room, and library for the elementary school. This, too, has been redecorated within the last few years, and can be, without great cost, available for their use. The School Committee, in appreciation of the use of Alexander Hall, have agreed, with the Alexander Hall Committee, to redecorate the rooms during the next Christmas vacation. (The Committee has found that it is far cheaper to have inside painting done at that time because of the lack of other work that painters may have.)

Textbooks

During the year, new textbooks were added in Music, Grades 2, 3, and 8, and French, in the High School. The increased enrollment has meant that additional textbooks of existing texts were required in almost every grade.

School Cafeteria

During the year, 87,415 student lunches, 2,880 adult lunches, and 11,596 additional bottles of milk were served. Some days as many as 390 pupils are served. The meals are exceptionally well-planned and served. Much credit should be given Mrs. Eugene Hammond, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Loretta Peterson, and Mrs. Esther Clough.

The major items of remodeling have been completed. The cafeteria is now equipped with a stainless steel dishwashing machine, dish tables, serving counter, milk cooler, deep sinks, modern work tables, refrigerator, ovens, potato peeler, and mixer. Individual trays for each pupil have been provided. The kitchen is now modern in every respect. The matter of adequate storage is still very troublesome.

Instrumental Music

The classes in instrumental music in school time have prospered under the splendid guidance of Mr. Eugene Gancarz, Instrumental Music Teacher at the Northfield Schools. The number of pupils has increased to forty-five. Rehearsals are continued through vacations and real progress has been made. In their first year, they made two fine public appearances; a recital at the Town Hall, and an assembly program for the school.

Repairs and Redecoration

This year, the boys' and girls' toilets in Center School, the upper corridors, teachers' room, and Principal's office in the High School were redecorated. The plastic wainscoting in the Center School corridor was completed. The cycle of redecoration is almost complete. The method of doing a certain amount each year has allowed us to keep presentable buildings and lower maintenance costs.

In the fall, the sewerage system of the Center School was completely blocked and it was necessary to install two additional cleanouts. Although this was costly, the system has been changed to eliminate the past troubles.

Adult Education

The Practical Art Classes, sponsored by the Northeld Evening Art Program, continues to fill a real educational need to the adults of the town. Classes in Typewriting, Painting, Chair Caining, Rug Hooking and Braiding, and Sewing were held during the year. There were 106 adults enrolled in 8 classes.

Appropriation		$700.00	
George Barden Funds		200.00	
			$ 900.00
Expenditures			
Teachers' Salaries		600.00	
John Spindler		100.00	
C. B. Dolge Company		40.00	
Western Mass. Electric Co.		40.00	$ 780.00
Balance			$ 120.00
Net Cost to Town			
Appropriation		700.00	
Balance	$120.00		
Reimbursement State	206.72		
Registration	88.00		
Tuition: Gill	36.60		
Greenfield	61.80		
Turners Falls	11.40	524.52	
Net Cost			$ 175.48

Finances

This past year, the educational program cost the local taxpayers $65,233.30. The total expenditures were $108,635.00. The difference of $43,401.70, for the most part, came from state reimbursements. The net increase in cost to the taxpayer was $4,888.38.

However, during this same period, the cost per pupil from local

taxation per fiscal year increased to only $144. The cost per pupil over the last five years is as follows:

1952 — $163.16
1953 — 152.26
1954 — 149.12
1955 — 142.04
1956 — 144.00

The increase in school population over the same five years has been as follows:

1952 — 342
1953 — 380
1954 — 406
1955 — 431
1956 — 458

The following table shows how the school dollar was spent last year in comparison with the school spending of the state as a whole, and the towns in group III (towns under 5,000 maintaining High Schools.) As usual, our geographic set-up calls for a greater percentage of our money to be spent for transportation. The most of our pupils live at some distance from our buildings and need transportation. The other items are very much in line or lower than the average spent.

Comparison of the spending of the school dollar

Item	Amount Spent by Northfield	Percent by Northfield	Percent by Group III	Percent by State
General Control	3,391.37	3.1	4.2	3.1
Salaries	67,263.46	61.9	62.0	67.7
Textbook	1,216.75	1.2	1.9	1.3
Supplies	1,595.65	1.5	3.4	3.3
Janitor Service	10,129.70	9.3	12.1	11.9
Repairs	3,138.34	2.8	2.9	4.3
Libraries	—	—	0.2	0.2
Health	1,000.00	0.9	1.2	1.5
Transportation	18,810.01	17.4	10.0	3.4
Tuition	1,045.00	0.9	0.1	1.1
Physical Education	115.50	0.1	0.6	0.8
Miscellaneous	929.32	0.9	0.9	1.1
School Lunch	—	—	0.5	0.3
	108,635.00	100.0	100.0	100.0

Analyzing the costs of the School Department, we realize that every town has different situations that call for different amounts of spendings. However, it is always interesting to note how Northfield compares with the surrounding towns in Franklin County. In 1956, Northfield spent from all sources $230.98 per pupil. In Franklin County, two towns spent less, and 23 towns spent more. Northfield spent $147.10 from local taxation per pupil. In Franklin County, 10 towns spent less and 15 towns spent more.

The reimbursements for 1957 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948, Ch. 643	$21,947.73
Vocational Tuition	709.94
Vocational Transportation	988.21
Transportation	15,150.00
State Wards, Tuition & Trans.	2,220.00
Supt. Salary & Travel	1,220.54
Tuition	1,129.76
Interest School Surplus Fund	44.30
	$43,410.48

These reimbursements depend, in part, on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

Next year's budget calls for an expenditure of $102,697.00. Quite naturally, everyone looks for a large decrease in the local school budget when the Regional School is opened. This is partly true. However, in the year 1957, the School Committee must operate Northfield High School until June, 1957, which is 6/10 of the school year. In other words, 6/10 of the budget is already under contract, and leaves the School Committee only with the budget from September until December in which to make deductions. In Northfield, we must use the High School building for the overflow of the Center School which means that we will have to continue the same heating, lighting, janitorial, and maintenance costs. Also, we must hire four extra teachers to give us single grades in each room. Therefore, the loss of the high school salary schedule is much offset by the new teachers that we must engage. A careful study of the school appropriation will show that deductions have been made in every item in which it is possible. In 1958, when no part of the year is concerned with the operation of the High School, the decrease will be more marked. This experience has been true in every town in which a Regional School has been instituted.

I repeat my annual invitation to all townspeople, especially parents of our pupils, to visit our schools while in session, and to see

first-hand, the work, the problems, and the achievements of our pupils. We are always pleased to see parents during American Education Week, and other special occasions, but in spite of all efforts, these occasions tend to become a bit stereotyped. I know it will be gratifying to you, as well as most enlightening, to have you take time from your busy schedule to see us in the normal activities of an average school day.

The accomplishment of our schools are the results of the cooperative efforts of all people: the School Committee, Principals, Teachers, Secretarial Staff, other Workers of the school, Parents and Townspeople. I wish to express my sincere appreciation for their continued cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Superintendent of Schools

F. SUMNER TURNER

Report of School Organization

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
George M. Leonard	Principal Mathematics Consumer Education	Bridgewater State Teachers' College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Evelyn G. Lawley	Assistant Principal Science Mathematics Latin	Smith College, A.M. *Boston University
Nellie W. Dearstyne	Spanish English French	American International College, B.A. Springfield College, M.Ed. Columbia University *University Extension Merrill Business College
John C. Trumbull	Social Studies	University of Mass., B.A.
Aaron C. Barnard	English 7-8 Literature Girls' Sports	Plymouth Teachers' College, B.E. *Plymouth Teachers' College
M. Carleton Brown	Commercial	Bay Path Institute *Northeastern University
Beryle M. Hammond	Home Economics English Literature	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts

*Attended without graduation

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Henry J. Lasak	Science 7—9 Biology Art	University of New Hampshire, B.A.
Raymond J. Buell, Jr.	Physical Education Social Studies	Boston University, B.S.

CENTER SCHOOL

Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Ruth Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Dorothea B. Holt	Grade 1	*Keene Teachers College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institute of Technology (Academy) *Leslie College Extension *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Sylvia L. Cook	Grade 2 & 3	Bates College, B.A. *Boston University

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Mary E. Dalton	Grade 3 & 4	Northfield Seminary *Massachusetts State Teachers College *Hyannis Normal *University Extension
Jean E. Kozlowski	Grade 4	Tufts College, B.A. *University Extension
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers College B.S.
Harvey G. Cadwell	Grade 6	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. University of Massachusetts, M. Ed. *Harvard *Yale *University of Manila
Marian C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Jeanette L. Rich	Art Supervisor	Mass. School of Art, B.S. in Ed. *Booth Bay Summer School
Esther Galbraith	Music Supervisor	Springfield Conservatory of Music

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler — Part-Time Assistant: John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber — Mrs. Loretta Peterson — Mrs. Esther Clough

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Item	Appropriation 1956	Expended 1956	Recommended 1957
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,457.00	$ 2,484.99	$ 2,160.00
Out-of-State Travel	35.00	33.81	35.00
Administration Expense	148.00	135.00	135.00
Clerk	939.00	737.47	580.00
Salaries, Teachers	65,373.00	65,150.26	63,717.00
Supervisor, Music	1,000.00	927.20	1,050.00
Supervisor, Art	792.00	736.00	650.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	650.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	1,216.75	800.00
Supplies, Student	1,500.00	1,591.40	1,000.00
Domestic Science	100.00	4.25	25.00
Supplies, Janitor	700.00	780.35	600.00
Salaries, Janitor	4,300.00	4,349.15	4,520.00
Sports Officials	150.00	115.50	75.00
Fuel	3,000.00	3,383.03	3,000.00
Water and Current	1,400.00	1,617.17	1,400.00
Repairs	500.00	1,388.21	500.00
New Equipment	500.00	476.13	900.00
Medical, Physician	400.00	300.00	300.00
Nurse	700.00	700.00	700.00
Tuition, Vocational	1,920.00	1,045.00	600.00
Transportation	17,526.00	17,134.99	16,000.00
Transportation, Vocational	2,100.00	1,675.02	1,600.00
Sundry Education	700.00	929.32	700.00
Special Project	1,000.00	1,274.00	1,000.00
Totals	$108,750.00	$108,635.00	$102,697.00

Returned to Town Treasury $115.00

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	Total Expenditures	State aid & other receipts	%	Net costs of Education
1944	$ 38,389.09	$ 10,164.53	27	$ 28,524.56
1945	41,091.11	10,545.66	26	30,545.45
1946	44,768.61	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02
1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13

1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901.72
1955	99,898.66	39,553.74	39.6	60,344.92
1956	108,635.00	43,401.70	40	65,233.30

Net Cost of Schools in 1956

Expenditures		$108,635.00
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$21,947.73	
Vocational Tuition	704.72	
Transportation	14,686.27	
Vocational Transportation	948.83	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	2,287.83	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel	1,220.54	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	990.22	
Town of Erving	285.19	
Town of Vernon	285.19	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	44.30	
Lost Book	.88	
Total		$ 43,401.70
1956 Net Cost of Education		65,233.30
1955 Net Cost of Education		60,344.92
Net Increase		$ 4,888.38
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1952		163.16
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1953		152.26
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1954		149.12
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1955		142.04
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1956		144.00

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

Net Worth, (Cash, Inventory, Claims			$2,474.88
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 986.40	
Complete Lunch (Students)	$10,977.80		
Complete Lunch (Adult)	651.90		
Milk	347.75		
Gov. Reimbursements	5,302.97		
Miscellaneous	173.63		
Receipts for the Year		$17,454.05	
Total receipts for the Year		$18,440.45	

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	$ 5,425.12		
Milk	4,184.32		
Salaries	4,349.08		
Other	3,626.93		
Total		$17,585.45	
Cash Balance		$ 855.00	
Cash Balance	$ 855.00		
Inventory	751.17		
U.S.D.A. Claims (Nov.)	579.55		
(Dec.)	471.14		
Total Assets		$ 2,656.86	
Liabilities (Unpaid Bills)			
General Baking Co.	$ 70.00		
Total Liabilities		$ 70.00	
Net Worth			$2,586.86

Report on School Census
(October 1, 1956)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	97	117	214
Between ages 5 and 7	58	55	113
Between ages 7 and 14	157	151	308
Between ages 14 and 16	35	34	69
Total	347	357	704

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1956

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Boys	33	28	22	27	17	26	18	23	16	11	6	8	235
Girls	24	29	23	25	18	13	22	18	16	19	8	8	223
Total	57	57	45	52	35	39	40	41	32	30	14	16	458

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls
Center School	153	132
High School	82	91
Greenfield Vocational	2	0
American School for Deaf	0	1

Bement	1	1	
Lancaster School for Girls	0	1	
Belchertown School for Girls		1	
Greenfield High School	1	0	
Greenfield Jr. High School	0	1	
Mount Hermon School	14	0	
Northfield School for Girls	0	14	
Hebron Academy	1	0	
Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Goodwill Home	1	0	
Brattleboro	2	0	
Total	258	242	
Grand Total			500

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I herewith submit my tenth annual report as Principal of Northfield High School.

Organization and Program

In June, two members of our faculty resigned. Mrs. Barbara Baker, who served in our school for one year, resigned to devote more time to her household and teaching duties at Mount Hermon. Mr. Conrad Bayley entered the United States Army for a two year period. Mrs. Baker brought to her classes a fine background of information in the field of biology and her students profited greatly from her teaching. Mr. Bayley served two years as our social studies teacher and coach of boys' sports. During his two years with us he produced championship teams in soccer and basketball. His boys learned much in both sports for which they will be ever grateful. His classes were conducted on a high level of order and scholarship. His services were greatly appreciated by the students and faculty alike.

Mr. Henry Lasak, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, replaced Mrs. Baker as teacher of science and biology. His preparation and training in the science field and in the field of art should greatly broaden the potential information available to our students. Mr. Raymond Buell, a physical education and social studies major, and a graduate of Boston University, was secured to take up the duties of Mr. Bayley. Mr. Buell's training in the field of physical education has brought to our students a realization of the need for a physical conditioning program. His program of calisthenics and tumbling have de-

veloped a much greater respect for the care and control of the human body. His classes are also being conducted on a high level of scholarship.

Our chief problem again this year has been that of programming classes in rooms which will provide the best teaching-learning situation. This has been almost an impossibility at times due to the size of our classes and the limited size of most of our rooms. This situation, however, is being taken in stride by pupils and teachers alike in anticipation of next fall's entrance into the Regional School.

The subject enrollments in the high school at the present are as follows:

English 9	29
English 10	30
English 11	11
English 12	19
Latin I	9
Latin II	7
French I	16
General Science	24
Biology	30
Physics	5
General Math	9
Algebra I	27
Geometry	17
Art	12
Civics	32
World History	10
U. S. History	11
Problems of Democracy	17
Home Economics I	4
Home Economics II	4
Typewriting I	30
Typewriting II	7
Shorthand I	6
Shorthand II	6
Bookkeeping I	14
Office Practice	10
Consumer Education	9
Refresher Arithmetic	12

In setting up the program for the present school year, an attempt was made to coordinate it with the program of Power's Institute so that the transition for the pupils to the Regional School would be much easier. Latin I was offered again this year to correspond with the offering at Power's Institute. Spanish has been dropped, at least temporarily, in favor of French which will be the second foreign language offered in the Regional High School. Whenever new book adoptions have been made during the past two or three years, teachers from the two schools, as well as the principals and superintendent, have acted as a committee to recommend such adoptions. We believe that the change to the new school will be an easy one for our students as a result of these changes and plans.

Extra-Curricular Program

For the third successive year, our school was presented the Recorder-Gazette Trophy for the smaller high schools of Franklin County for its excellent sports program. The award is made on the basis of the opportunity for both the boys and girls to participate in three seasonal sports, the records of the teams in those sports, good sportsmanship, and school spirit.

Our boys tied for first place in Border League basketball, were second in the Franklin League and won second place in the Tri-State Touranment at Turners Falls in competition with thirteen other high schools in the Tri-State area. This is the first time that our school has won any recognition in the tournament in which we have participated for nine years. Much credit is due Mr. Conrad Bayley and his boys for their efforts in behalf of the team and the school.

"The Review," for the second consecutive year, won a first place rating in the annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association yearbook judging program.

Our cheerleaders won "honorable mention" in the second annual cheerleading tournament at Deerfield High School. Their efforts aided considerable in helping to build some fine school spirit.

We have continued the weekly Thursday morning broadcasts of school news over Mrs. Miller's WHAI program. We appreciate this opportunity to give the students such an experience. We also appreciate the favorable comments of the many listeners to their fine performances. Our weekly school news is also published in the Greenfield Recorder Gazette and the Northfield Press.

The Glee Club was active during the past year. They presented an operetta "Jerry of Jericho Road" in the Town Hall on April sixth which was well executed and well received. They participated in the Western Massachusetts Music Festival at Westfield in May and re-

ceived a very fine rating for a first-year performance. They recorded several Christmas number for broadcast over WCAT in Orange, in December. They presented several numbers at the Christmas assembly. Mrs. Galbraith deserves much credit for their excellent work.

Twenty-five of our students are participating in the instrumental music lessons with Mr. Eugene Gancarz. Most of these students are playing in the band. The band presented a surprising performance before an enthusiastic audience in the spring, and participated in our Christmas assembly program. Their progress has been amazing under Mr. Gancarz' guidance.

In the second annual "I Speak For Democracy" contest sponsored by the Greenfield Junior Chamber of Commerce and radio station WHAI, Martha Parsons, a member of our senior class was awarded second place. Miss Parsons received a $25 Savings Bond for her well-delivered essay.

The senior class presented "Going On Seventeen" as their dramatic performance in early December. An appreciative audience witnessed another well-coached play directed by Miss Evelyn Lawley.

As has been the custom for many years, the senior class went to Washington and New York in April. It was a pleasure to plan and conduct the entire trip for the sixth year. I sincerely hope that the senior classes of the Regional High School will be able to continue this worthwhile educational trip each spring.

The following are some of the records of our extra curricular activities:

Good Government Day Representative
- Douglas Pearsall

D.A.R. Good Citizen
- Patricia Leach

Annual Magazine Sales Drive
- $1,585.98

Boys' sports (Border League)
- Basketball—tied for first
- Baseball—third
- Soccer—second

Girls' sports (Border League)
- Basketball—tied for third
- Softball—second
- Volleyball—third

Commencement Program

Baccaluareate Services were conducted at The First Congregational Church—Unitarian on Sunday, June 10 at 9:45 A.M. Rev. Robert S. Slater delivered an inspiring address entitled, "Life's Holy Trust."

A Class Night program by the members of the graduating class was presented on Thursday, June 14, in the Town Hall for the entertainment of students, parents, and friends.

Graduation exercises were conducted at the Town Hall on Friday, June 15 at 8:00 P.M. as follows:

Processional—"War March of the Priests"	Mendelssohn
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
National Anthem	Audience
Invocation	Rev. Joseph Reeves
Welcome	David Martin
Honor Essay	Ann Parker
Honor Essay	Andrew Sheldon
Music—"America, Our Heritage"	Steele
"Halls of Ivy"	Russell & Knight
Announcement of Awards	Principal George M. Leonard
Commencement Address	
"Questions Not Found On the Exam"	Rev. Robert Sandercock
Piano Solo—"Aragonaise"—Massenet	Ann Parker
Presentation of Diplomas	Superintendent F. Sumner Turner
Class Song—"Senior Song 1956"	Graduates
Words by Donna Glazier	
School Song—"Our Old High"	All students and Alumni
Benediction	Rev. Henry F. McKeon
Recessional—"Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar

Music under the direction of Mrs. Esther Galbraith

Accompanists—Mrs. Esther Galbraith and Mrs. George Leonard

CLASS ROLL

Richard Eugene Barnes
Martha Jane Bigelow
Wallis Marion Black
Nancy Lou Buffum
Jean Barbara Fisher
Donna Lee Glazier
*Patricia Elinor Leach
*David Russell Martin
*Ann Elizabeth Parker
Rachel Louella Parsons
Douglas Graham Pearsall
Charles Michael Repeta, Jr.
*Andrew Lee Sheldon

*Pro Merito Students

The following awards were made at the graduation exercises:

D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	Patricia Leach
Bausch & Lomb Award for excellence in Science	Andrew Sheldon

Readers Digest Awards	Andrew Sheldon and Ann Parker
Pro Merito Certificates	
Patricia Leach, David Martin, Ann Parker and Andrew Sheldon	
P.T.A. Scholarship	Richard Barnes
Certificate of Merit (National Merit Scholarship Program)	Andrew Sheldon

Financial

The following is a statement of the Northfield High School funds for the year 1956:

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL—SCHOOL FUNDS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1956 — December 31, 1956

	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Class of 1956	$1,194.80	$1,035.57	$2,230.37	—
Class of 1957	382.43	1,312.05	664.15	$1,030.33
Class of 1958	.70	91.53	52.94	39.29
Class of 1959	10.00	12.00	—	22.00
Class of 1960	10.00	—	—	10.00
Press Club	286.63	936.20	1,017.61	205.22
Glee Club	210.27	145.00	130.14	225.13
Student Council Funds	819.51	2,282.21	2,387.96	713.76
Totals	$2,914.34	$5,814.56	$6,483.17	$2,245.73

Northfield High School Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1956		$ 96.43	
Income:			
Admissions to games	$353.25		
Transportation to Tri-State Tournament	10.40		
Total		363.65	$460.08
Expenses:			
Busses	$174.25		
Officials	217.50		
			391.75
Balance on hand December 31, 1956			$ 68.33

Items to Ponder

Thirteen seniors graduated in June of 1956. Two students are now attending the University of Massachusetts; one is at Northeastern University; one is at Colby; one is at the Springfield Hospital School of Nursing; one is at the Stockbridge School of Agriculture; one at Arizona Bible College, one at the Boston Dispensary for a medical technicians training; one is taking a year's training in electronics in the Armed Forces; while the remaining four girls have found employment. This is a praiseworthy record for such a small graduating class.

Students are becoming more aware of the value of a college education. The past two years have found at least four former graduates of our school leaving their jobs and going back to school. Two are attending Northampton Commercial College, one is at Westfield State Teachers College, and the fourth is at Babson Institute.

Again I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the school committee, Mr. Turner, teachers, supervisors, students, parents and friends for their continued support of our many and varied activities and for their cooperation in carrying out our school program.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD

Principal

Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my tenth annual report for the Center School.

Larger enrollments, crowded classrooms, bulging coat closets, no extra desk for the newcomer—all and more could be discussed here. But by the interest shown by the large number of visitors during National Education Week and P.T.A. Open House and those who drop in for an occasional visit during the year, I am sure the readers of this report are already aware of, and sympathetic with, our situation here in Center School.

Our facilities do not allow for an indoor gathering so we chanced an outdoor May Festival so parents, friends, and pupils could have one program together. Mrs. Esther Galbraith, music supervisor, introduced the rhythmic dances to the pupils and each teacher had charge of some portion of the arrangements for the complete program.

Our teaching staff had two changes in September when Mrs. Sylvia Cook took the place of Mrs. Mary Lee Brady who accepted a teaching position in Westfield, and Mrs. Jean Kozlowski took over the fourth grade room. This released me from full-time teaching. I now have the opportunity to give my full attention to the duties of a principal as well as to spend about half of my time in remedial assistance to pupils assigned to me by their teachers.

The dental program under supervision of Mrs. Billings, school nurse, is bringing the desired results—a greater interest in the care of teeth. The school banner is at present in Mrs. Parker's grade five, this group of children being the winners starting while they were in grade three.

As usual our art supervisor, Mrs. Jeanette Rich, planned a unique and lovely window display for our entire building. The theme this year was how the Christmas Spirit could be shown by children during the Yuletide season, depicted by angels made in their own physical likenesses.

Thanks are again in order to those who give so much help and show so much interest: Mr. Turner, the School Committee, Miss Ann Parker, my co-workers, and parents and friends of Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

Annual Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

The past year has been a very busy one in the Northfield public schools in the field of music. A fine program of music, including music appreciation, rhythmic activity, and learning to read music and to sing songs of many lands has been under the fine guidance of the elementary teachers.

In May grades 1—6 presented their first May-Day program, which was very well attended by parents. Many expressed their hope that this would become an annual affair.

Since September a newly-formed group of twenty singers has met once a week with the music supervisor. This activity was a privilege for those doing exceptional work in music in their grades. At Christmas time they presented a program of carols in the hall of Center School for all the grades to enjoy.

In April the High School Glee Club presented an operetta, "Jerry of Jericho Road" under the direction of the music supervisor, with Mrs. Esther Leonard offering valuable assistance in coaching the dramatics and choreography. The operetta was very well received by a capacity audience. There was fine cooperation by members of the faculty who were in charge of tickets, scenery, publicity, etc.

In May the Glee Club traveled to Westfield to participate in the Western Massachusetts Music Festival. This was their first experience at the annual festival, and a happy and rewarding one. They received a very commendable rating. Their final performance of the year was at graduation.

Since September the club boasts a membership of sixty students with a good percentage of boys. In December, together with a seventh and eighth grade chorus, they presented a group of carols at the annual Christmas assembly in the Town Hall. The Glee Club also made a tape recording of Christmas carols to be broadcast over the Athol-Orange radio station on Christmas Day.

The Glee Club is presently preparing for a joint Spring concert with the Powers Institute Glee Club, together with the newly formed band under the direction of Mr. Gancarz.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. GALBRAITH

Music Supervisor

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I hereby submit the report for the school year 1956.

The lower grades have expressed themselves graphically through individual illustrations of subject matter in the school curriculum or of current interests in the world about. There have also been group projects in the form of murals, both in the lower and intermediate grades. In the upper grades, I am pleased to report adventures into expression through the mediums of clay work, paper-mache, chalk, and third dimensional paper sculpture. There have been fine examples of diorama and model villages.

Posters were made in observance of special holidays, Education Week, Safety Week, and Kindness to Animals Week. The last, we are pleased to report, made a fine showing through the prizes won by all of the grades.

The Christmas window displays were planned and executed by all of the grades.

The art work in the past year, I feel, shows progress in the development of originality throughout the Union.

I should like to express our appreciation of the fine spirit of cooperation on the part of the teachers throughout the Union.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE L. RICH,
Art Supervisor

Report of School Nurse

December 7, 1956

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Northfield.

I herewith submit my third annual report as school nurse:

Number of children weighed and measured 326
Number of children taken home from school 26
Number of children examined at Pre-School Clinic 38
Number of children attending Speech Clinic 1
Number of children attending Crippled Children's Clinic 10
Several children are attending Mental Health Center in Greenfield.

Eleven polio clinics were held during the past year. Four hundred school children have now been immunized against polio from a possible 456. This may be broken down to represent only nine families who refused the vaccine. Booster and final shots of the series, which is reputed to give life time immunity, will begin after January 1.

All students were given Mass. Vision Tests and thirty-five found with difficulties. Hearing losses were discovered in four pupils. Parents were notified of these findings.

Again I am glad to report a marked increase in the number of children who had dental work completed this year. Northfield heads the Union with 84%. The present fifth grade had 98% dental work completed during the school year of 1955. This grade has had this honor for two consecutive years and is leading at the present time.

Beginning in April and lasting until June we had a prevalence of German measles. Other contagious diseases were reported at the usual medium. Toward the end of June a number of cases of whooping cough were reported.

Fourteen classroom talks on guidance, personal hygiene and related subjects were given.

May I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the Fortnightly for the assistance so freely given me in conducting the various clinics. Many thanks also to the school officials and teachers for their kind cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS
School Nurse

Report of School Physician

This was a busy year for the school physician with a number of unusual and extra calls upon his time. Though the general health of the school children was better than some previous years, there was considerable sickness among the pupils. Throughout the Spring there were many cases of German measles, measles and chicken pox and

a great many children were out of school at times and a great deal of time and trouble was involved inspecting all these children at my office before their return to school. Over 100 pupils came to my office in April, May and June for cards to return to school, usually outside my office hours and at a time inconvenient for me. As this actually involved more time than the rest of my school work together, and as no charge was made for this service, consideration of a new scheme for handling the return of contagious cases to school might be in order.

Another unusual activity of the school physician was the free administration of polio vaccine at several school clinics in the early spring, prior to the regular Board of Health clinics. On 14 occasions make-up shots had to be given in my office.

In May, Patch tests for tuberculosis were given the high school students and the results of these tests were read by the school physician at school. Aside from a few suspicious tests and one known case, nothing serious was found.

Also in May the annual pre-school examination of the prospective first graders was held with the parents invited to come with the child to discuss any problems.

The primary duty of the school physician is to examine the school children in the fall and this was done in September, all new students, the pupils in the fourth, seventh, and tenth grades, those not previously examined in the first grade, and all students taking part in athletics being examined. Remarkably few defects were found, bad teeth being the commonest defect.

A number of accident cases were seen during the year, most of them being brought to my office by the school nurse or the parents. These were found to be mostly minor accidents.

I would like to comment that during a recent cold spell, I personally checked the thermometers in the school rooms one morning at 10 A.M. and found the temperature too low in four rooms (53 to 64°) and would like to suggest that some thought be given to the heat problem.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.

School Physician

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation		$400.00
Expenditures:		
Labor:		
John Ware	$79.95	
William Janes	23.85	
		$103.80
Supplies:		
J. L. Dunnell	$ 3.00	
Athletic Trainer Supply Co.	34.21	
Spencer Brothers, Inc.	4.15	
The C. B. Dolge Co.	48.80	
Melvin Miller	150.00	
Hamilton S. Cregar	2.68	
George Sheldon	5.25	
F. Sumner Turner	1.79	
		$249.88
Repairs:		
Ray Smith	$ 7.50	
The Morgan Garage	5.35	
		$ 12.85
Total Expenditures		$366.53
Balance		$ 33.47

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield School Committee

ROY J. FISH, Chairman

EVELYN TRUE, Secretary

IRVING J. LAWRENCE

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

To the Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield, and Warwick:

1956 has been a year filled with much activity and much accomplishment toward the goal of the opening of the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

The Committee was organized as follows:

Mr. Wendell Streeter, Chairman
Mr. Albert Stoddard, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. Howard King, Treasurer
Mr. F. Sumner Turner, Secretary and Superintendent

During the year, twenty-four regular meetings have been held, together with numerous meetings of sub-committees and field trips. As from the beginning, all meetings have been open to the public and the press, and the Committee wishes to extend their thanks to those who did find time to attend.

Following the interviewing of six candidates, Mr. F. Harrison Eastman of Bernardston was appointed Clerk-of-the-Works.

The heavy snows of the month of March delayed the opening of the work from March 1 to April 16. The Neri Construction Company sent Mr. Robert Mason as Superintendent of Construction. As far as has been possible, the Neri Construction Company has recruited its help from the local area.

On June 15, 1956, $1,350,000 of school bonds were sold to the Harriman, Ripley and Company, Incorporated, Kidder-Peabody and Company, and Walter Weld and Company, of Boston and New York, as authorized by the vote of the Committee on December 1, 1955, approved in Town Meeting in Northfield on December 12, Warwick, December 19 and Bernardston, on December 20, and approved by the Emergency Finance Board of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on December 29, 1955. These bonds are payable on July 1 in the amount of $70,000 in each of the years, 1957 to 1966 inclusive, and $65,000 July 1 1967 to 1976. The interest rate was 2¾% with a premium of .347. In view of the money market at that time, and the developments since, the Committee feels that they were most fortunate to get the rate of interest that was obtained.

On October 11, the Committee received from the State Building Assistance Commission, the state reimbursement of $43,785.66. This amount of reimbursement is based upon estimated cost, and when the building is finally finished and all costs are determined, the state reimbursement will again be revised to coincide with these costs.

The Following Budgets Have Been Adopted by the Committee

Capital Budget

Maturing Debt May 1957				$ 5,000.00
Maturing Debt July 1957				70,000.00
Interest	$ 85,000.	May	935.00	
Interest	80,000.	November	880.00	
Interest	1,350,000.00	January	18,562.50	
Interest	00	July	18,562.50	
				38,940.00
		Total Capital Budget		$113,940.00
Against this amount we are applying:				
State Aid-Building Reimbursement			43,785.66	
Unexpended Appropriation			13,045.61	
				56,831.27
Amount due from Bernardston, Northfield & Warwick				$ 57,108.73

		Total Cost to town	Less 15% Add. Rec'd dir. by Town	Actual Net Cost to Town
Bernardston	30.8%	$17,589.49	$2,222.41	$15,367.08
Northfield	57.7%	32,951.74	2,862.75	30,088.99
Warwick	11.5%	6,567.50	1,173.57	5,393.93
		$57,108.73	$6,258.73	$50,850.00

Tentative Operating Budget

1957

General Control	$ 3,900.00
Expenses of Instruction	30,918.00
Supplies, Student	2,500.00
Textbooks	2,000.00
Operating of School Plant	8,100.00
Maintenance of School Plant	250.00
Auxiliary Agencies	4,450.00
Transportation	9,360.00
	$61,478.00

Bernardston's Share	$18,799.79
Northfield's Share	33,679.25
Warwick's Share	8,998.96

According to the agreement, budget hearings were held in the several towns on or before November 15, 1956, and the town's share of the budget was registered by the Treasurer with the several town Treasurers by December 31, 1956.

At the close of the year, the following progress in construction had been made: All footings and foundations were complete; all underground plumbing, heating, and electrical conduit had been installed; alll rough grading had been completed; all drainage, sewerage and water systems had been installed; all steel was reported to have been delivered to the fabricating plant in Holyoke; complete supplies of metal door bucks and window frames, all tile and nearly all brick had been delivered to the lot; a fair percentage of the steel columns had been erected; and the roof girders of th Agricultural Shop had been completed; the work of the mechanical sub-contractors was on schedule. The contractors and architects feel that sufficient work can be done this winter so that the building will be complete and ready for occupancy on September 1, 1957. In fact, most of the time-consuming operations have been completed, and each week, from now on, will show a great amount of progress.

The Committee now enters upon the administrative part of the program—the defining of the program and offerings of the school, the selection and organization of a staff of teachers and supervisors competent to achieve the aims and expectations of this school, and to make the necessary programs and arrangements to bring into fruition the hopes of the people of the member towns. This part is very important, if not the most important part of the whole project.

The Committee wishes to thank the citizens of the member towns for their cooperation and help in this tremendous undertaking. They will welcome any suggestions or help that the townspeople may find an opportunity to give.

Respectfully submitted,

MR. WENDELL E. STREETER, Chairman

MR. ROBERT P. BARNES

MRS. EMILY L. BENOIT

MR. J. NORMAN DURKEE

MR. PAUL J. DONALDSON

MR. IRVING J. LAWRENCE

MR. WALLA M. STEARNS

MR. ALBERT H. STODDARD, JR.

MRS. ANNA M. WILCOX

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

Balance on hand December 31, 1955			$ 478.82

RECEIPTS

Dillaby Fireproofing Company, bid deposit			
Deposits on plans and specifications as follows:		$ 500.00	
Air Cond. Contractors, Inc	$75.00		
Kenneth Baru	75.00		
A. Belanger & Sons, Inc.	75.00		
Charles P. Blouin, Inc.	75.00		
John Capobiance	75.00		
Clark Engineered Products	75.00		
Park L. Davis Co.	75.00		
Vara Construction, Inc.	75.00		
		$ 600.00	
Proceeds of $3,000. Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2¼% note in anticipation of revenue from towns, dated February 1, 1956 and due May 1, 1956		3,000.00	
Assessments received from towns as follows:			
Bernardston	$ 9,307.40		
Northfield	17,377.45		
Warwick	3,565.15		
		30,250.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, reimbursement for cost of planning services, fees, drawings and specifications		71,586.53	
Received as proportionate share of cost of dictaphone purchased for Superintendent's office:			
Bernardston	95.45		
Northfield	106.96		
Warwick	39.69		
Gill	121.40		
Leyden	60.70		
		424.20	

Proceeds of $1,350,000. Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.75% School Bonds dated July 1, 1956 payable $70,000. from July 1, 1957 thru July 1, 1966 and $60,000. from July 1, 1967 thru July 1, 1976	1,350,000.00	
Premium on above bonds @ .347	4,684.50	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, reimbursments and aid on construction of Regional School	43,785.66	
Accrued interest received	515.82	
Proceeds of $1,000,000. U. S. Treasury Bills maturing October 11, 1956—		
Cost on July 12, 1956	$993,970.00	
Interest received	6,030.00	
	1,000,000.00	
Received from sale of hay on school property	25.00	
		2,505,371.71
2 Total Receipts		2,505,850.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Payment of $3,000. Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2¼% note in anticipation of revenue from towns $		3,000.00
Architects Collaborative, printing of bids and construction plans		1,802.96
Redemption of $5,000. Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.20% School Bonds dated May 1, 1955 and due May 1, 1956		5,000.00
Dillaby Fireproofing Company, refund of bid deposit		500.00
A. Belanger & Sons, Inc., refund of deposit on plans and specs.		75.00
Interest on $90,000. Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.20% School bonds as follows:		
due May 1, 1956	990.00	
due Nov. 1, 1956	935.00	
		1,925.00
Cost of printing $1,350,000. July 1, 1956 Bond Issue and legal opinion on May 1955 and July 1956 issues		3,876.64
Accrued interest paid		16.88
Purchase of $1,000,000. U. S. Treasury Bills due October 11, 1956 @ 99.397		993,970.00
Purchase of $1,000.00. U. S. Treasury Bills due January 10, 1957 @ 99.241		992,410.00

Operating Budget			
Treasury, salary		$475.00	
Treasurer's expense		26.61	
Surety Bond		195.80	
Secretary, salary		475.00	
Committee expense			
travel	45.58		
telephone	69.45		
postage	20.00		
		135.03	
Office Supplies and Miscellaneous		177.72	
			1,485.16
School Construction Account			
Construction	$348,459.10		
Fees	15,049.94		
Equipment	827.20		
Site development	287.50		
Insurance	285.62		
			364,909.36
Total Disbursements			2,368,971.00
Balance on hand as follows:			
Cash in checking accounts	$65,293.00		
Reserve for maturing debt (savings deposits)	71,586.53		
			136,879.53
			$2,505,850.53

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING

Treasurer

NORTHFIELD WATER COMPANY

Statement of Operations
for the year ended December 31, 1956

Water Rents	$4,083.69	
Interest Income	74.07	
		4,157.76
Operating Expenses		
Operating Expenses	874.32	
State Taxes	68.03	
Town Taxes	558.00	
Federal Income Taxes	429.77	
Depreciation	486.33	
Interest Expense	74.50	
General Expense	664.00	
Total Expenses		3,154.95
Net Income		1,002.81
Less: Dividends Paid		630.00
Balance to Surplus		$ 372.81

Report of the Moth Superintendent

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as Moth Superintendent for the year ending December 31, 1956.

I would like to thank the Western Massachusetts Electric Company and the residents of the Town of Northfield for helping us with some of the activities. I would also like to thank Mr. Kenneth Miller and his crew for all the help they have given me this past year.

During the year 1956, 109 diseased trees were taken down and destroyed by burning. During the year 109 samples were taken and sent to the University of Massachusetts for culture with the following results:

94 Dutch Elm Disease
14 Sterile
1 Cephalposprium

The trees were located as follows:

12 West Northfield
10 East Northfield
38 Northfield
34 Northfield Farms

Four of these diseased trees have already been removed leaving ninety to be destroyed before April 1, 1957.

A total of 650 gallons of 6% solution of DDT was used to spray all elm trees to control the leaf-eating insects and the elm bark beetles which are known to spread the disease. The DDT was purchased by the Town and put out on an hourly basis.

These figures indicate that this is a serious problem and only prompt and concerted action can prevent the spread of this disease which threatens the beauty of our Main Street.

GYPSY MOTHS

This year we spent two days scouting for Gypsy Moths and although we did not find any infested areas, we did find a few egg clusters on Notch Mountain which must be closely checked this Spring. Some spot spraying may be required to keep it in check.

POISON IVY

We were very successful this year in destroying poison ivy partially due to the dry weather. We used 1950 gallons of 2-4-D-5T Solution. It takes two to four years to control poison ivy and with the success that we had in 1956, we believe that by 1958 one spray a year should be sufficient to keep it under control.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH BILMON
Moth Superintendent

NORTHFIELD TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Northfield on Monday the fourth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for two years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, one member of the Planning Board for five years, one member of the Planning Board for three years, and one Member of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee for three years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 5th, 1957, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	325	75
Third Member	325	75
Assessors:		
First Member	$300	
Second Member	300	
Third Member	300	
Town Moderator		$ 25
Treasurer		900
Tax Collector		750
Town Clerk		500
School Committee:		
Chairman		$100
Second Member		100
Third Member		100

Article 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,200
Selectmen's Expense a/c	350
Assessors' Salary	900
Assessors' Expense a/c	225
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
Tax Collector's Exp. a/c	500
School Committee Salary	300
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's Exp. a/c	80
Town Moderator's Salary	25
Moderator's Exp. a/c	15
Town Accountant's Salary	950
Town Accountant's Exp. Acct.	75
Sealer Wgts. & Meas. Salary	150
Sealer's Expense a/c	40
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer & Expense	175
Insp. Meat & Slaughtering	50
Schools	102,697
Fire Department	2,500
Maintenance Water Holes	400
P. V. Regional School	
Operating Budget	33,679.25
Capital Budget	32,951.74
Fire Station Bonds	
Maturing Debt	3,000
Interest	1,260
Old Age Assistance	37,000
Aid to Dep. Children	5,000
General Relief	4,000
Disability Assistance	3,500
Pub. Welfare Adm.	3,000
Soldiers' Relief	3,500
Mach. Maint. a/c (Trans. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	5,500
Bridges	3,000
Elections & Registrations	900
Fire & Casualty Ins.	5,300
Interest Acct.	200
Town Hall Care	5,000
Legal Expense	250
Alexander Hall	250
Damages	200
Town Clock & Fountain	100
Town Reports	1,000
Snow Removal	8,000
Public Safety	50
Protection Tax Title Prop.	25
Public Health	1,300
Highway Bounds Surveys & Plans	250
Wire Insp. & Exp.	50

Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00 for the highway Superintendent's Expense, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4,950.00 and to transfer $18,150 from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 and to transfer $9,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $1,500.00 and to transfer $3,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement of Branch Road, Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,000.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $5,000.00 to purchase a four-wheel drive truck with automatic sander body and snow plow, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Highway work to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for putting up Railing, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $900.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Northfield Farms Library, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6,050.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,950.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $5,370.00 for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,370.00

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Ashuelot Road on the corner adjacent to the property of Frank Bordner, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $24.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Linden Avenue at the corner of the road to Highland Circuit, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement

Article 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield, and authorize the moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain State-aided Vocational Education, in accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Chapter 74, General Laws, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $420.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,200.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of $3,500.00 for the Fire Department to purchase and install a Fire Alarm System, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the preservation and care of shade trees, under the direction of the Tree Warden, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $600.00

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to combat Dutch Elm disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,800.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the control and suppression of other public nuisances, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $800.00

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of the Public Health Nurse, and substitute Nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,800.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's Expense Account, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $75.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $300.00

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept the map of the Town of Northfield, drawn by F. Deane Avery Associates, dated February 15, 1957, as the official map of the Town of Northfield, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Planning Board, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $50.00

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 39. To hear the Progress Report of the Revaluation Equalization Committee and act thereon.

Article 40. To see if the Town will transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of $1,000.00 for the use of the Assessors for plotting assessed parcels on the maps as voted at the Special Town Meeting, December 10th, 1956, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 41. Shall Chapter 32 of the General Laws, authorizing any County, City, Town or District to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance, for certain persons in the service of such County, City, Town or District and their dependents, be accepted by this Town?

The Finance Committee recommends further study

Article 42. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for group life and accident insurance for Town Employees as permitted by the foregoing article. or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 43. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Finance Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $25.00

Article 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $275.00

Article 45. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,000.00

Article 46. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constable's Pay and Expense, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $750.00

Article 47. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for necessary repairs to discontinued School Buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell all the Town's Right, Title and Interest in any or all of the discontinued School Buildings, or act thereon.

Article 49. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $300.00

Article 50. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to investigate the possibilities to make suitable sewerage connection from the Town Hall to an existing sewer, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase, or take by eminent domain, or otherwise, for highway purposes, land or parcels of land contained and being shown on a plan entitled "Proposed Layout, Highland Circuit Town of Northfield" as laid out by F. Deane Avery Associates, Greenfield, dated December 20, 1955, excepting from this taking land already owned by the Town of Northfield, and to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide money therefor, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $800.00 to pay a bill for Fire Hose ordered from the American LaFrance Company during the financial year ending December 31, 1956, or act thereon.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 143, Sections 4 and 5, General Laws, or act thereon.

Article 54. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from Overlay Reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $3,000.00

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1957 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,000.00

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, on the bulletin board on Gulf Road at corner of Orange Road, and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.

ROBERT P. BARNES

WALLACE E. STANGE
Selectmen of Northfield

A true copy. Attest:

Constable

FACTS ABOUT NORTHFIELD

Incorporated	1723
Population	2,239 (1955)
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate, 1956	$75.00
Number of Dwellings	736
Real Estate Valuation	$1,908,912.00
Personal Property	$293,360.00
Public Schools	Elementary School High School
Private Schools	The Northfield School for Girls
Fire Protection	Three Fire Engines
Town Highways	67 Miles
Public Libraries	Dickinson Memorial Northfield Farms
Altitude	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads	Boston & Maine Central Vermont
Water Supply	East Northfield Water Co. Northfield Water Co. Dry Swamp Aqueduct Co.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall — John B. Kennedy

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

John W. Heselton

GOVERNOR
Foster Furcolo

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Robert Murphy

COUNCILLOR
Ray Sullivan

STATE SENATOR
Ralph Mahar

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Philip F. Whitmore

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Carlos Allen, Chairman

Frank Reed — Harry Koch

Fred I. Bolton
S. Vernon, Mass.

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Town Officers

Moderator
Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk
Horace F. Field

Town Treasurer
Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

Wallace E. Stange, Chmn.	Term expires March 1958
Stanley Wickey	Term expires March 1959
Robert P. Barnes	Term expires March 1960

Assessors

Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1958
Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term expires March 1959
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term expires March 1960

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term expires March 1958

School Committee

Evelyn U. True	Term expires March 1958
Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires March 1959
Roy J. Fish, Chmn.	Term expires March 1960

Library Trustees

Jean P. Hatheway	Term expires March 1958
Horace Henry Morse (Resigned)	
William H. Hawley	Appointment expires March 1958
Louise M. Reeves	Term expires March 1959
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1959
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1960
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term expires March 1960

Cemetery Commissioners

Carlton W. Holton	Term expires March 1958
David G. Quinn	Term expires March 1959
Murray M. Hammond	Term expires March 1960

Tree Warden

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1958

Constable

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term expires March 1958
Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1958
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1958
Murray M. Hammond—Farms Resident	Term expires March 1958

Planning Board

George H. Sheldon (Resigned)	
Agnes Hammond	Appointment expires March 1958
L. Percy Goodspeed	Term expires March 1959
Harvey H. Hatheway	Term expires March 1960
A. Gordon Moody	Term expires March 1961
F. Wilton Dean	Term expires March 1962

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires March 1958
Walla M. Stearns (Resigned)	
William H. Hawley	Appointment expires March 1958
Robert P. Barnes	Term expires March 1960

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns	Term expires July 1958

Chief of Fire Department

Gardiner R. Hudson	Term expires 1958

Forest Fire Warden

Howard E. Williams	Term expires 1958

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1957

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	Philip Mann, Jr.
Harold D. Williams	Gardiner R. Hudson

Suprintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller	Term expires April 1958

Gypsy Moth Agent

Joseph S. Bilmon	Term expires 1958

Public Weighers for 1957

F. Myron Dunnell	Fred B. Kelley
George O. Dunnell	Frank F. Kelley
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	Clarence Spaulding
Leon H. Dunnell	Roy A. Barrows

Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering for 1957

Leroy R. Barnes

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1957

Warren A. Randall

Animal Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term expires April 1958

Fence Viewers for 1957

Eugene F. Hammond
Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1957

James E. Dresser
Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1957

William C. Walker, Jr.
Robert L. Gibson

Dog Officer for 1957

Robert L. Gibson

Pound Keeper for 1957

Robert L. Gibson

Registrars of Voters

Charles D. Streeter	Term expires 1958
Laurence M. Hammond, Chmn.	Term expires 1959
Edward F. Hurley	Term expires 1960

Horace F. Field—Clerk

Finance Committee

Mildred E. Addison	Term expires March 1958
Mark B. Aldrich	Term expires March 1958
Ross L. Spencer, Chmn. (Resigned)	
Charles W. Llewelyn, Chmn.	Term expires March 1959
Roger M. Greenwood	Appointment expires March 1959
Harry A. Erickson	Term expires March 1960
Herbert H. Maynard	Term expires March 1960

Forest Warden for 1957

Joseph S. Bilmon

Election Officers for 1957

James R. Dale
Helen Greene
Flora C. Abbey
Edna Bistrek
Helen M. Stearns
Harrison Stacy
Murray M. Hammond
Edward M. Powell, Jr.

Substitute Election Officers for 1957

Minnie Skinner
Mary L. Holton
Genevieve A. Eastman

Selectmen's Report

Preliminary work on Chapter 90 construction was completed approximately to Lee Sheldon's pasture on Gulf Road. The 1956 Chapter 90 section was surface treated and Branch Foad was reconstructed and surface treated.

The Northfield-Gill #10 Bound was set by the Selectmen of the two towns with assistance from Mount Hermon.

With regards to the tragic accident that happened on our Main Street last August, immediate and more vigorous steps were taken to have the DPW install some safety devices for pedestrian travel. Requests were made to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to speed zone our street. We have been informed by them that it will be done in the very near future. When completed we will have a legal speed limit of 35 MPH that will be strictly enforced by all law-enforcing agencies. Our Board gave a proposal at a Special Town Meeting for correcting street lighting. We have had this lighting installed and it decreases the hazards that did exist.

An accounting of Chapter 81 expenditures follows:

1957 Chapter 81 Expenditures in the Town of Northfield

1.	Warwick Avenue	$ 2,622.94	22.	Randall Rd.	121.60
2.	Warwick Rd.	122.60	23.	Vernon Rd.	294.11
3.	Commonwealth Avenue	—	24.	Parker St.	119.30
4.	Gulf or Erving Rd.	2,273.81	25.	Great Meadow Rd.	533.43
5.	Murdock Hill Rd.	—	26.	Meadow St.	—
6.	Swamp Rd.	—	27.	Bridge St.	—
7.	Orange Rd.	1,277.41	28.	Mill St.	—
8.	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	222.59	29.	School St.	1051.16
9.	East Northfield Br. Rd.	376.10	30.	St. Mary St.	76.40
10.	East Northfield Rd.	704.21	31.	Alexander Hill or Ober Mt. Rd.	675.43
11.	Pine Street	81.80	32.	Pratt Hollow Rd.	—
12.	Winchester Rd.	707.17	33.	Maple St.	—
13.	Pearson Rd.	591.04	34.	Beers Plain Rd.	539.22
14.	Wanamaker Rd.	—	35.	New Road	118.05
15.	Ashuelot Rd.	733.95	36.	Old Wendell Rd.	283.77
16.	Moody St.	62.00	37.	Lyman Rd.	144.70
17.	Birnam Rd.	1245.72	38.	Lucky Clapp Rd.	134.17
18.	Holton St.	—	39.	So. Mountain Rd.	1073.15
19.	Highland Avenue	—	40.	Fisher Rd.	—
20.	Caldwell Rd.	363.55	41.	Four Mile Brook Rd.	456.71
21.	River Rd.	226.00	42.	Gill Rd.	—

43. Pine Meadow Rd.	1456.47	60. Jewett Rd.	37.20
44. Branch Rds. (2)	—	61. Gerrish Rd.	374.01
45. New State Highway	—	62. South Mt. Br. Rd.	301.06
46. Cross Rd.	661.99	63. Linden Ave.	—
41. East St.	279.00	64. Adams Rd.	144.90
48. Northfield Farm Rd.	673.03	65. Holly Ave.	—
49. Sturbridge Road	128.28	66. Woodruff Rd.	159.40
50. Dickinson St.	—	67. Old Ferry Rd.	48.02
51. Bennett Brook Rd.	920.06	68. Highland Circuit	85.60
52. Glenwood Avenue	—		
53. Munn's Ferry Rd.	289.91	Totals	$23.100.00
54. Myrtle St.	89.30		
55. North Lane	142.40	*Allotments:*	
56. Aldrich St.	—	State	$18,150.00
57. Howard St.	—	Town	4,950.00
58. Prospect Hill Rd.	—		
59. Slate Rd.	77.28	Total	$23,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

WALLACE E. STANGE, Chairman
STANLEY T. WICKEY
ROBERT P. BARNES

Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1957

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
January, '57		
1	Given, Douglas Scott	Sidney H. Jr. and Phyllis E.
12	Schryba, Stephanie Ann	Stephen and Mary E.
20	Fowler, Timothy Alan	Norman F. and Ethel D.
24	Barrows, Cynthia Luanne	Aaron A. and Janet M.
29	Morgan, Sheree Lynn	James H. and Dorothy S.
February		
18	Ingram, Robin Elizabeth	Delbert E. and Ruth
19	Johnson, Russell Allen	Arthur S. and Ruth
22	Svetaka, Karen Ann	Vincent A. and Helen A.
March		
1	Holloway, Jane Marie	Alwin G. and Helen M.
1	Holloway, June Marie	Alwin G. and Helen M.
5	Plotczyk, Irene Esther	Valentine P. and Esther J.
15	Edson, Dennis Paul	Leroy H. and Allene M.
April		
7	Arsenault, Douglas Edward	Edward E. and Meredith J.
15	Butynski, Donna Jean	George J. and Elizabeth R.
20	Sytnik, Patricia Ann	Chester M. and Pauline N.
25	Waterman, Cindy Jo	Raymond C. and Jeanette A.
28	Cummings, Brenda Louise	Byron L. Jr. and Nora L.
	Boutwell, Douglas Allen	Willard R. and Marianne E.
May		
2	Shatney, Michael Philip	Clarence P. and Louise I.
4	Thayer, Sidney Lee	Donald L. and Ruth J.
7	Rockwell, Dawn Marie	Frank J. and Theresa K.
8	Papke, Charles Harry Jr.	Charles H. and Shirley M.
13	Closson, Debra Lynn	Eugene E. and Mildred I.
30	Crafts, Melissa	Donald P. and Marion B.

June	
6—Smith, Ellen Amelia	Ivan L. and Hazel L.
12—Infant Pearson (Deceased)	Howard A. and Anne S.
22—Whitney, Linda Susan	Warren E. and Phyllis A.
26—Falgiani, Frank Salvator Jr.	Frank S. and Elizabeth F.
July	
5—Fisher, Sherri Lynn	Deane E. and Frances R.
18—Mesic, Michael Robert	Robert S. and Lorraine I.
August	
1—Abbott, **Monica Gail**	Francis W. and Irene M.
15—Allen, Gary Brian	Caleb S. and Nancy L.
30—White, Gary Steven	Donald R. and Betty J.
September	
6—Viencek, Deborah Dorthea	Maryon F. and Dorothy E.
22—Whitney, Dennis Robert	Robert E. and Editha M.
October	
22—Holton, John Alfred	Roger E. and Rose E.
November	
17—Gamache, Stephen Everett	Everett L. and Mildred S.
December	
12—Gibson, Byron Ralph	Leslie A. and Dorothy A.
14—Babbitt, Kevin Peter	Elwood D. and Emily S.
21—Sliz, Eric Paul	Edmund P. and Edith C.
22—Parsons, Laurie Diane	Richard G. and Janet M.
23—Kelley, Frank Stowell Jr.	Frank S. and Dorothy E.

Marriages Recorded in 1957

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
January			
8—	Kenney, Walter Richard	Northfield	
	Hallowell, Pauline Sonia	Greenfield	Greenfield
26—	Hanson, Robert Eldon	Glencoe, Ill.	
	Pearsall, Janet Sinclair	Northfield	Northfield
February			
8—	Morgan, Daniel Fred	Northfield	
	Anderson, Prudence (Avery)	Greenfield	Greenfield
March			
9—	Avery, Fred Grant	Northfield	
	Billings, Viola Mae (Gaines)	Northfield	Northfield
June			
14—	Stacey, Owen Arthur	Northfield	
	Fisher, Faith Maud	Northfield	Northfield
15—	Cornwell, William Eugene	Knoxville, Tenn.	
	Iott, Jane Riddell	Petersham	Northfield
15—	Yukl, Ernest Fred	Gill	
	Parsons, Rachel Louella	Northfield	Turners Falls

June

29—Casineau, Leon Alphonse	W. Suffield, Ct.	
Powers, Veronica Eileen	Northfield	Northfield
29—Lang, Clesson Myron	Erving	
Starkey, June Carol	Northefild	Williamstown
29—Holbrook, Richard Lawrence, Jr.	Keene, N. H.	
Allen, Marian Beatrice	Northfield	Northfield
July		
3—Ward, John Gerard	Orange	
Streeter, Nancy Ann	Northfield	Orange
10—Bassett, Roger Eugene	Northfield	
Glazier, Donna Lee	Northfield	Bernardston
27—Jurkowski, John Frederick	Northfield	
Gallant, Irene Annette	Northfield	Northfield
28—Giffin, Harry Frank, Jr.	Griswoldville	
Andrew, Marion Cora	Northfield	Northfield
August		
3—Urgielewicz, William John	Northfield	
Winsky, Josephine (Dzenis)	So. Deerfield	So. Deerfield
17—Tenney, William Edward	Northfield	
Lanoue, Elaine Clara	Greenfield	Greenfield
23—Martineau, Henry Edwin	Northfield	
Baker, Marjorie	Greenfield	Greenfield
September		
7—Miller, Fred Richard	San Antonio, Texas	
Williams, Ellen Benson	Groton	Northfield
21—Lindgren, Richard Paul, Jr.	Holden	
Field, Sally	Northfield	Northfield
October		
4—James, Arthur Ellis	Gill	
Parker, Ann Elizabeth	Northfield	Northfield
5—Austin, Robert Fleming, Jr.	New York, N. Y.	
Turner, Elizabeth Rhea	Chicago	Northfield
8—Paine, Raymond Ernest	Northfield	
Paine, Alice Mary LaRiviere (Snow)	Northfield	Northfield
November		
12—Royce, Ernest Charles	Ashuelot	
Heidelman, Marlyn	Northfield Farms	Northfield
15—Kimplin, Alvin Eugen	Bernardston	
Walton, Helen Elizabeth	Greenfield	Northfield
29—Holloway, Norman Wayne	Northfield	
Leslie, Audrey May	W. Swanzey, N. H.	Greenfield
29—Lane, Leighton Ernest	Northfield	
Curtis, Charity Ellen	Brattleboro, Vt.	Brattleboro
30—Green, Donald Clarence	Greenfield	
Holmes, Jean Rose	Gill	Northfield

Deaths Recorded in 1957

Date	Name	Age—Years	Months	Days
January				
2	Colton, Robert Howe	52	4	24
11	Dalton, Mary Ellen	64	2	25
12	Payne, Melinda Fae	2	5	16
February				
17	Purrington, Hazel (Gordon)	58	9	21
March				
3	Roe, Louise	79	0	29
April				
3	Wainwright, Elizabeth (Noble)	94	0	24
7	Kenney, Alice Maud (Duplisie)	58	8	21
19	Strange, Robert Ray, Jr.	37	6	13
23	Roberts, Charles	90	11	18
30	Bunker, Mary Edith	85	4	7
30	Slaght, Anna M. Brizze	71	11	29
May				
8	Reed, Bessie Smith	77	6	0
15	Monsees, Bertha (Meyer)	83	11	14
16	Parker, Mary Green	68	8	28
31	LaMountain, David	89	9	8
June				
9	Maynard, Luella McCuen	82	10	25
12	Infant Pearson			—
19	Hallam, Walter Earl	82	8	27
24	Buell, Edward Martin	96	0	23
26	Ash, Ina Pearl	80	3	2
26	Latham, Harriet (Crane)	77	1	14
July				
23	Palmer, Isabel May (Purple)	71	8	16
29	Koch, Rosine Katherine Hertter	85	5	26
August				
9	Murray, Glen Ernest	62	9	13
12	Morgan, Minnie Jaynes	90	11	5
September				
20	Bigelow, Nellie Olive (Bigelow)	67	9	23
October				
6	Blodgett, Emma Haag	83	10	6
7	Chapin, Madeleine Peck	60	3	9
9	Cotter, William Edward	90	3	17
12	Whiting, Eliza Ann (McFadden)	81	1	20
16	Hale, Clara Abigail Hastings	84	3	19
20	Austin, William Henry	93	10	27
26	Cook, Charles Lafayette	93	2	20

November			
14—Potts, Louis Martin	72	2	9
16—Whitney, Dennis Robert	—	1	24
18—Woodard, Wells	71	2	21
25—Strange, Charles Clyde	81	6	28
30—Roots, William J.	90	3	25
December			
6—Root, Warren Henry	87	3	28
14—Antoinelli, Dominick	80	—	—
30—Metzler, Mary Ellen (O'Brien)	65	8	1

Dogs Licensed in 1957

Male Dogs	140
Female	15
Female (Spayed)	97
Special Kennel, ($10)	8
Special Kennel, ($25)	2
	262

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1957

Resident Fishing	106
Resident Hunting	98
Resident Sporting	112
Resident Minor Fishing	30
Resident Women's Fishing	47
Special Non-Resident Fishing	13
Non-Resident Fishing	20
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	2
Resident Alien Fishing	0
Resident Trapping (Minor)	4
Non-Resident Hunting	10
Non-Resident Sporting	1
Resident Sporting (Free)	33
Duplicate	5
Old Age Fishing	2
	483

Other Licenses and Permits Issued in 1957

Alcohol	2
Auctioneer	1
Auctioneer (Temporary)	3
Common Victualer	4
Gasoline	21

Innkeeper	2
Junk	1
Milk	6
Oleomargarine	3
Pistol	33
	76

Copy of the votes taken at the Annual Election held in Northfield, Mass., March 4, 1957

The polls were opened at 10 o'clock and closed at 8 o'clock p.m. Five hundred and seventy-nine ballots were cast for town offices. The results were as follows:

Town Clerk, 1 year		
Horace F. Field	Five Hundred fifty-four	554
Blanks	Twenty-five	25
Town Treasurer, 1 year		
Charles F. Slate	Five Hundred forty-six	546
Blanks	Thirty-three	33
Selectman, 3 years		
Robert P. Barnes	Two Hundred eighty-three	283
Edward F. Hurley	Two Hundred seventy-seven	277
Julian Barber	One	1
Blanks	Eighteen	18
Selectman, 2 years		
Stanley Wickey	Five Hundred one	501
Kenneth L. Miller	One	1
Blanks	Seventy-seven	77
Assessor, 3 years		
Winthrop E. Spencer	Five Hundred three	503
Blanks	Seventy-six	76
Moderator, 1 year		
Edgar J. Livingston	Five Hundred twenty	520
Blanks	Fifty-nine	59
School Committee, 3 years		
Roy J. Fish	Four hundred	400
Charles Michael Repeta	One Hundred sixty-six	166
George O. Dunnell	One	1
Blanks	Twelve	12
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years		
Murray M. Hammond	Five Hundred thirty	530
Blanks	Forty-nine	49

Library Trustees, 3 years		
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Five Hundred four	504
Lillian G. Wells	Four Hundred seventy-seven	477
Blanks	One Hundred seventy-seven	177
Tree Warden, 1 year		
Frank W. Anderson	Two Hundred sixteen	216
Joseph Bilmon	Three Hundred forty-four	344
Blanks	Nineteen	19
Tax Collector, 1 year		
Roy J. Fish	Five Hundred twenty-one	521
Blanks	Fifty-eight	58
Constables, 1 year		
Paul E. Chamberlin	Five Hundred twenty-nine	529
Joseph G. Morgan	Five Hundred nineteen	519
Niles E. Stone	Five Hundred twenty-one	521
Blanks	One Hundred sixty-eight	168
Constable, res. Northfield Farms		
Murray M. Hammond	Five Hundred twenty-six	526
Blanks	Fifty-three	53
Planning Board, 5 years		
F. Wilton Dean	Four Hundred ninety-nine	499
Blanks	Eighty	80
Planning Board, 3 years		
Harvey H. Hathaway	Four Hundred ninety-nine	499
Blanks	Eighty	80
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 3 years		
Robert P. Barnes	Four Hundred sixty-three	463
James R. Dale	One	1
Blanks	One Hundred fifteen	115

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, March 5th, 1957 at 7 o'clock in accordance with the foregoing Warrant.

HORACE F. FIELD,
Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken March 5, 1957 on the articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one

year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Board:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	325	75
Third Member	325	75
Assessors:		
First Member	300	
Second Member	300	
Third Member	300	
Town Moderator		$ 25
Treasurer		900
Tax Collector		750
Town Clerk		500
School Committee:		
Chairman		100
Second Member		100
Third Member		100

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,200
Selectmen's Expense a/c	350
Assessors' Salary	900
Assessors' Expense a/c	225
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
Tax Collectors Expense a/c	500
School Committee Salary	300
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80
Town Moderator's Salary	25
Moderator's Expense a/c	15
Town Accountant's Salary	950
Town Accountants Exp. Acct	75
Sealer Wgts. & Meas. Salary	150
Sealer's Expense a/c	40
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer & Expense	175
Insp. Meat & Slaughtering	50
Schools	102,697
Fire Department	2,500
Maintenance Water Holes	400
Fire Station Bonds	
Maturing Debt.	$3,000
Interest	1,260
Old Age Assistance	37,000
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000
General Relief	4,000
Disability Assistance	3,500
Public Welfare Adm.	3,000
Soldiers' Relief	3,500
Mach. Maint. a/c (Trans. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	5,500
Bridges	3,000
Elections & Registrations	900
Fire & Casualty Insurance	5,300
Interest Acct.	200
Town Hall Care	5,000
Legal Expense	250
Alexander Hall	250
Damages	200
Town Clock & Fountain	100
Town Reports	1,000
Snow Removal	8,000
Public Safety	50
Highway Bounds Surveys & Plans	250

P. V. Regional School		Protection Tax Title Prop	25
Operating Budget ..	33,679.25	Public Health	1,300
Capital Budget	32,951.74	Wire Insp. & Exp.	50

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00 for the highway Superintendent's Expense.

Article 7. Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,-950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 highway repairs and improvements, and the sum of $18,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $9,000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Construction; and to meet said appropriation that the sum of $6,000.00 be transferred from the proceeds received from the state under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway construction, and in addition that the sum of $15,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, to meet the State and County to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway maintenance, and in addition the sum of $3,000.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State and County to be restored upon its receipt, to unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury.

Article 10. Voted: That the Town transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement of Branch Road, Northfield Farms.

Article 11. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate $1,000.00 for Highway work to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 13. Voted: To raise and appropriate $200.00 for tools for highway work.

Article 14. Voted: To raise and appropriate $900.00 to be used for putting up Railing.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate $1,000.00 to repair sidewalks.

Article 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Northfield Farms Library.

Article 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,950.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,370.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 19. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Ashuelot Road on the corner adjacent to the property of Frank Bordner.

Article 20. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 21. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, $200.00 for maintenance, $200.00 for improvement, $300.00 for ½-share of lawn mower.

Article 22. Voted by an amended motion to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to study the need of a summer playground program for the children of Northfield and report at the next annual meeting.

Article 23. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $100.00 for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee.

Article 24. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $420.00 to maintain State-aided Vocational Education, in accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 25. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage.

Article 26. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment.

Article 27. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 28. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for the preservation and care of shade trees, under the direction of the Tree Warden.

Article 29. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,800.00 to be used to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 30. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth.

Article 31. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for the control and suppression of other public nuisances.

Article 32. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,800.00 for the salary of the Public Health Nurse, and substitute Nurse.

At this point is was decided to take up Articles 41 and 42 as a matter of convenience.

Article 41. Voted: That we should not accept the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, but that the matter be given further study and the Selectmen appoint a committee of three to report back at the next annual meeting.

Article 42. Voted and passed over.

Articles 33. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's Expense Account.

Article 34. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply hydrants for fire protection.

Article 36. Voted: That the Town adopt as the official map of the Town of Northfield, that map drawn by F. Deane Avery associate dated February 15, 1957 prepared under the direction of the Planning Board.

Article 37. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 for the expense of the Planning Board.

Article 38. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Articles 39. The progress report of the Revaluation Equalization Committee was accepted with thanks, and the committee authorized to continue.

Article 40. Voted: That the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of $1,000.00 for the use of the Assessors for plotting assessed parcels on the maps as voted at the Special Town Meeting, December 10th, 1956.

Articles 43. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00 for the expense of the Finance Committee.

Article 44. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 45. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 46. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 for Constable's Pay and Expense.

Article 47. Voted: That the Town rise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 for necessary repairs to discontinue School Buildings.

Article 48. Voted: On an amended motion that first each discontinued School Building be taken up separately, and second that the Town keep the Pine Street School Building for the Northfield Historical Society, and that it be hereafter named the Northfield Historical Society Museum. A motion was then made to rescind the vote on Article 32 of the Annual Town Meeting of February 2nd, 1942, granting District No. 3 Community Club the use of School House No. 3 for religious services and other community gatherings until such time as the Town may need the building. Said Community Club to furnish its own light and fuel. This motion was defeated and therefore Article 32 will remain in effect. A motion was then made and carried that School House No. 4 be put on the same basis as School House No. 3 and an additional motion was made and carried that the West Northfield School House be put on the same basis under the care of the VFW.

Article 49. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles.

Article 50. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 to investigate the possibilities to make suitable sewerage connection from the Town Hall to an existing sewer.

Articles 51. Voted: That the Town acquire by purchase, or take by eminent domain, or otherwise, for highway purposes, land or parcels of land contained and bring shown on a plan entitled "Proposed Layout, Highland Circuit Town of Northfield" as laid out by F. Deane Avery Associates, Greenfield, dated December 20, 1955, excepting from this taking land already owned by the Town of Northfield, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $250.00.

Article 52. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $800.00 to pay a bill for Fire Hose ordered from the American LaFrance Company during the financial year ending December 31, 1956. The vote was 89 in favor, none against.

Article 53. Voted: That the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $700.00 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 54. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 55. Voted: To transfer the sum of $3,000.00 from Overlay Reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year.

Articles 56. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1957 Tax Rate.

During the course of this meeting the Town Clerk rose to a point of privilege and asked for a minute of silence in memory of two of our town's leading citizens who passed on during the past year, Edward Miles Morgan and John Thomas Callaghan. Both gentlemen served the town as Selectmen and in various other capacities, and throughout their long lives were keenly interested in Northfield and her welfare.

The Meeting was disolved at 11:16 P. M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk

Copy of the votes taken on the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, September 5, 1957

Article 1. Voted: To transfer from Disability Assistance the sum of $1,400.00 to General Relief.

Article 2. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,000, to Fire Department Salaries and expense account.

Article 3. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $200 to the Damage account.

Article 4. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $61.84 to pay a bill for a relief valve, contracted February 29, 1956 from Maxim Motor Co.

Article 5. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $40.00 to the Tax Collectors Expense Account.

The Meeting was dissolved at 8:00 P. M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk

Copy of the votes taken on the articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, October 28, 1957

Article 1. Voted: That the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury $150.00 for improved street lighting for the balance of this year.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $6,500.00 to purchase a truck and a sand spreader.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town present the Electric Basket Ball Score Board now at the Town Hall to the Pioneer Valley Regional School District. The vote was 37 for, and 26 against.

The Meeting was dissolved at 9:03 P. M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk

Jury List--1958

The following is the Jury List for 1958:

Harold F. Bigelow
Clifford R. Camp
Grove W. Deming
Josephine J. Gaida
Arthur F. Green
Ernest C. Howard
Mary L. Holton
Joseph Lipsio
Leslie S. Rice
Bertha M. Rikert
Charles F. Slate
Dwight P. Stearns
Carl J. Stone
Charles D. Streeter
Daniel F. Sutherland
Clarence K. Webber
Charles R. White
Deane W. Williams

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1957 to December 31 ,1957

Balance January 1, 1957		$121,483.76
Receipts for year 1957		445,456.88
		$566,940.64
Payments per Warrants	$436,556.86	
Deposited in Savings Bank	210,.00	
Cash on hand December 31, 1957	2,918.38	
Franklin County Trust Company	125,986.74	
Crocker Savings Inst.	1,268.66	566,940.64

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1957 per statement		141,813.22
Outstanding Checks December 31, 1957 per list	15,826.48	
Balance Dec. 31, 1957 per check book	125,986.74	141,813.22

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance on hand January 1, 1957	257.52	
Amount collected from members in 1957	2,036.34	2,293.86
Payment to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1957	2,047.15	
Balance December 31,1 957 in treasury	246.71	2,293.86

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on January 1, 1957	1,324.88	
Withholding tax deducted in 1957	14,952.97	16,277.85
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1957	15,069.81	
Balance Dec. 31, 1957 in treasury	1,208.04	16,277.85

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Balance on hand January 1, 1957	428.10	
Deducted from members in 1957	1,016.80	1,444.90
Paid to Mass. Hospital Service in 1957	1,111.45	
Balance December 31, 1957 in Treasury	333.45	1,444.90

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others—West Northfield Cemetery Funds

	Savings Deposits	Securities	Totals
On hand Jnnuary 1, 1957	3.370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
On hand December 31, 1957	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of interest	200.42		

James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

On January 1, 1957	2,000.00		2,000.00
On December 31, 1957	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of interest	60.45		

Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	500,00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1957	500.00		500.00
Receipts of interest	15.11		

Belcher Center School Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	1,050.00		1,050.00
On hand December 31, 1957	1,050.00		1,050.00
Receipts of interest	31.73		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1957	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of interest	55.23		

Belcher Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	9,439.01		9,439.01
On hand December 31, 1957	9,439.01		9,439.01
Receipts of interest	267.77		

Belcher Library and Cemetery Funds

On hand January 1, 1957		500.00	500.00
On hand December 31, 1957		500.00	500.00
Receipts of interest	55.23		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	925.48		925.48
On hand December 31, 1957	951.10		951.10
Receipts of interest added to account	25.62		

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1957	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of interest	90.68		

Surplus Revenue School Funds

On hand January 1, 1957	1,600.00		1,600.00
On hand December 31, 1957	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of interest A	44.30		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1957	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of interest	83.08		

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1957	500.00		500.00
Receipts of interest	15.11		

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	3,631.99	10,000.00	13,631.99
Receipts of interest on securities	250.00		
Receipts of interest on Savings Deposits	107.22		
On hand December 31, 1957	3,989.21	10,000.00	13,989.21

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1957	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1957	500.00		500.00
Receipts of interest	15,11		

Maude Montague Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1957		2,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1957		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of interest	50.00		

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E.K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00
Mary E. Bunker	200.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning	$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Mrs. Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200 00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200 00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100 00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie E. Bascom	150 00
Hubert Dutton	10.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson and Nettie Spring	$100.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100 00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50 00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100 00
Levi Fay	150 00
Sarah E. Minot	150 00
James Pickard	100 00
Augustus L. Day	100 00
Elijar Belding	125 00
James White	100.00

Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Halchita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White and George Hastings	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100 00
Mrs. Norman Mac Gaffin	50 00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
WilliamH. Phelps	200 00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50 00
Bessie Severance	100 00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Andrew H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin F. Field and Chas. Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300 00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100 00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100 00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hillard	300.00
Cora B. Prestonand Asa Holton	100.00
Frank and William Piper	100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1957	$14,964.75	$14,964.75
On hand December 31, 1957	15,174.75	15,174.75
Receipts of Interest	435.96	
Interest transferred to Town	435.96	

CHARLES F. SLATE
Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

Taxes for 1953		
Outstanding 1/1/57		$ 21.45
Paid Treasurer	$ 21.45	
Outstanding 1/1/58	00.00	
	$ 21.45	$ 21.45
Taxes for 1954		
Outstanding		$ 1,653.45
Paid Treasurer	$ 1,481.29	
Abatements	12.76	
Outstanding 1/1/58	159.40	
	$ 1,653.45	$ 1,653.45
Taxes for 1955		
Outstanding 1/1/57		$ 6,670.77
Paid Treasurer	$ 4,802.06	
Abatements	23.00	
Outstanding 1/1/58	1,845.71	
	$ 6,670.77	$ 6,670.77
Taxes for 1956		
Outstanding 1/1/57		$ 30,316.92
Committed in 1957		4,313.95
Refunds		108.77
Paid Treasurer	$ 25,747.76	
Abatements	451.97	
Outstanding 1/1/58	8,539.91	
	$ 34,739.64	$ 34,739.64
Taxes for 1957		
Poll Tax Levy		$ 1,318.00
Abatements	$ 224.00	
Paid Treasurer	904.00	
Outstanding 1/1/58	190.00	
	$ 1,318.00	$ 1,318.00

Personal Property Tax Levy		$ 21,734.88
Abatements	$ 40.80	
Paid Treasurer	20,284.80	
Outstanding	1,409.28	
	$ 21,734.88	$ 21,734.88
Motor Vehicle Tax Levy		$ 26,549.20
Refunds		530.63
Abatements	$ 1,069.61	
Paid Treasurer	18,364.38	
Outstanding	7,645.84	
	$ 27,079.83	$ 27,079.83
Farm Animal Tax Levy		$ 657.88
Paid Treasurer	$ 612.75	
Outstanding	45.13	
	$ 657.88	$ 657.88
Real Estate Tax Levy		$187,129.15
Refunds		168.00
Paid Treasurer	$159,274.04	
Abatements	4,019.52	
Tax Titles Added	704.16	
Outstanding	23,299.43	
	$187,297.15	$187,297.15

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH
Tax Collector

Board of Assessors' Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1957
Recapitulation

Town Appropriation			
(a) to be raised by Taxation		$ 307,286.99	
(b) to be raised from available funds			
in 1957	$46,450.00		
in 1956 after tax rate was fixed	7,250.00		
		$ 53,700.00	
			$ 360,986.99
Veterans' Service District			793.44
State Assessments 1957			
Estimated State Parks and Reservations	$ 872.24		
		$ 872.24	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 960.83		
		$ 960.83	
			$ 1,833.07
County Assessments			
County Tax		$ 11,889.22	
County Retirement System		1,655.10	
			$ 13,544.32
Overlay of current year			7,004.33
			$ 384,162.15

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$25,604.18
Corporation Taxes	8,048.74
Reimbursement on account of Publicly owned land	549.74
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S 10	1,327.46
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	25,200 00
Licenses	250 00
General Government	375.00
Protection of Persons and Property	150 00
Health and Sanitation	300.00
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	6,400.00

Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	23,500.00		
Veterans' Services	550.00		
Schools	21,275.00		
Libraries	200.00		
Interest on Taxes	1,050.00		
Dog License Refunds	500.00		
		$ 115,280.12	
Available Funds	$53,700.00		
Free Cash	5,000.00		
		$ 58,700.00	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds			$ 173,980.12
Net amount to be raised by Taxation			210,182.03
Number of Polls 659 @ $2.00 each		$ 1,318.00	
Valuation of Personal Property $226,405.00 @ $96.00		21,734.88	
Valuation of Real Estate $1,949,262.00 @ $96.00		187,129.15	
			$ 210,182.03

Table of Aggregates

Number of Polls	659	
Number of Persons assessed		
On Personal Property only	45	
On Real Estate only	464	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	240	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$ 45,050.00	
Machinery	166,530 00	
Live Stock	5,450.00	
All Other Personal Property	9,375.00	
		$ 226,405.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$ 529,467.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1,419,795.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$1,949,262.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		2,175,667.00
Tax Rate Per $1,000	$ 96.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	$ 21,734.88	
On Real Estate	187,129.15	
On Polls	1,318.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$ 210,182.03
Number of Livestock Assessed		
Horses (One year old or over)	21	

Cows (Milch)	49	
Bulls, Steers and Heifers	36	
Swine (6 Months old or over)	00	
Sheep (6 months old or over)	16	
Fowl	810	
All Other	8	
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	91,273	23/100
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	740	
Farm Excise	$657.88	

Abatements During the Year 1957

Levy of	1957	1956	1955	1954
Polls	$ 224.00	$ 38.00	$20.00	
Motor Vehicle	1,069.61	402.72		$9.51
Personal	40.80		3.00	3.25
Real Estate	456.00	11.25		
Exemptions Chap. 59	3,563.52			

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	991
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$ 26,549.20
Total Assessed Valuation	508,140.00
Motor Vehicle Incomplete—Compiled to December 31, 1957	

We the Board of Assessors would like to express our appreciation to the People of Northfield, Town officials and Equalization Board for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1957	56	
No. cases added during year	11	
No. cases closed during year	12	
No. cases December 31, 1957	55	
Appropriation, 1957	$37.000 00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1956	11,996.61	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1957	24,017.37	
Cancelled checks	212.87	
		$73,226.85

Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	$28,426.95	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	35,240.34	
Expended, to Other Towns	1,882.48	
Transferred to revenue	00	
U. S. Grant forward to 1958	7,677.08	
		$73,226.85

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1957	3	
No. cases added during year	1	
No. cases closed during year	2	
No. cases December 31, 1957	2	
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1956	510.60	
U. S. Grant reimbursement, 1957	1,653.60	
		$ 7,164.20
Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	$ 1,329.05	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	2,683.64	
Transferred to revenue	2,316.36	
U. S. Grant forward to 1958	835.15	
		$ 7,164.20

Disability Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1957	2	
No. cases added during year	1	
No. cases closed during year	2	
No. cases December 31, 1957	1	
Appropriation, 1957	$ 3,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1956	833.57	
U. S. Grant reimbursement, 1957	516.00	
		$ 4,849.57
Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	$ 578.99	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	1,771.45	
Transferred to General Relief	1,400 00	
Transferred to revenue	328.55	
U. S. Grant forward to 1958	770.58	
		$14,849.57

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1957	4	
No. cases added during year	9	
No. cases closed during year	9	
No. cases December 31, 1957	4	
Appropriation, 1957	$ 4,000.00	
Transferred from Disability	1,400.00	
Transferred from Reserve fund	62.22	
		$ 5,462.22
Expended:		
Cash to GR recipients	$ 3,455.63	
Payments to Other Towns	747.54	

Payments to Vendors:			
Northfield Food Mart	$418.35		
Pearl G. Webster	76.00		
Walter Shaw	27.00		
Tenney Farms	44.16		
F. M. Dunnell	63.47		
Dr. Dean	16.55		
Dr. Elgosin	39.00		
Dr. Flo	23.00		
Dr. Garland	66.00		
Northfield Pharmacy	36.81		
Western Mass. Elec. Co.	21.07		
Farren Memorial Hospital	170.90		
Franklin Co. Public Hospital	106.74		
Kidder and Company	150.00		
		1,259.05	
Transferred to revenue		0	
			$ 5,462.22

Administration

Appropriation, 1957		$3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1956:			
OAA	597.30		
ADC	536.44		
DA	430.61		
		1,564.35	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1957			
OAA	2,066.64		
ADC	332.05		
DA	111.23		
		2,509.92	
			$7,074.27
Expended:			
Salaries	4,627.84		
Transportation	111.35		
Postage	42.00		
Telephone	92.60		
Office supplies, Service contracts and Miscellaneous	140.02		
		5,013.81	
Transferred to revenue		33.55	
U. S. Grant forward to 1958:			
OAA	1,421.67		
ADC	480.16		
DA	125.08		
		2,026.91	
			$7,074.27

Medical Services and Supplies totalled $26,424.82 for 1957, which was $519.70 over the $25,905.11 expended for 1956.

Recapitulation

VENDOR	OAA	ADC	DA	GR	TOTALS
Physicians	2,426.60	549.50	217.50	144.55	3,338.15
Drugs	2,945.49	311.35	115.05	36.81	3,408.70
Nursing Homes	14,511.03		1,156.99		15,668.02
Hospitals	1,287.07	449.64	30.00	277.64	2,044.35
Other	532.10	47.00	36.50		615.60
Burials	1,000.00		200.00	150.00	1,350.00
	22,702.29	1,357.49	1,756.04	609.00	26,424.82

The Town of Northfield received from State Reimbursement for 1957 the sums of $27,574.47 for Old Age Assistance cases, $1,440.49 for Aid to Dependent Children, $1,483.90 for Disability Assistance, and $1,512.69 for General Relief State cases.

The Town of Northfield also received $576.36 from cities and towns which were billed their share of Old Age Assistance cases. There was also a Recovery total of $3,688.80, of which $3,436.50 was recovered under the Lien Law.

Total yearly Town Appropriations for all four categories and Administration have decreased steadily for the last four years, as follows: 1952, $59,000; 1953, $55,500; 1954, 1955 and 1956, $53,000; and 1957, $52,500. However, for 1958, due to a greater number of cases in nursing homes, higher medical costs, increased exemptions for children before liability to contribute exists, larger budget item for heat and light, and a further increase of 5.7% in 1957 cost-of-living adjustment, a total budget of $57,000 is estimated to be necessary to cover existing and anticipated needs.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL, Agent
Northfield Board of Public Welfare

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1957, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1958.

Helen M. Stearns

RECEIPTS

1953 Taxes		
Real Estate	$ 21.45	
1954 Taxes		
Personal Property	153.00	
Real Estate	856.20	
1955 Taxes		
Polls	26.00	
Personal property	200.40	
Real Estate	2,855.11	
1956 Taxes		
Polls	122.00	
Personal Property	2,342.13	
Real Estate	15,548.39	
1957 Taxes		
Polls	904.00	
Personal Property	20,284.80	
Real Estate	159,274.04	
		$202,587.52
1957 Farm Animal Excise		612.75
1954 MV & Trailer Excise	$ 472.09	
1955 MV & Trailer Excise	1,720.55	
1956 MV & Trailer Excise	7,735.24	
1957 MV & Trailer Excise	18,364.38	
		$ 28,292.26
Collector's Costs		176.40
Acct. Rec.		
General Relief	$ 1,512.69	
O.A.A.	28,150.83	
A.D.C.	1,440.49	
D.A. Adm.	55.63	
D.A.	1,483.90	
Vets Benefits	834.35	
Schools	1,639.08	
		$ 35,116.97
Federal Grants		
A.A.A. Adm.	$ 2,066.64	
O.A.A.	24,017.37	
A.D.C. Adm.	332.05	
A.D.C.	1,653.60	
D.A. Adm.	111.23	
D.A.	516.00	
		$ 28,696.89

O.A.A. Recovery		3,688.80
State Hwy. Bond Issue		6,000.00
State Aid to Hwys.		15,744.52
County Aid to Hwys.		3,999.87
Road Machinery Fund		7,383.75
School Lunch		15,202.98
School Athletics		224.55
Dog License collected for County		634.35
Federal Withholding Taxes		14,952.97
County Retirement Withheld		2,037.59
Mass. Hospital Service		1,444.90
U. S. Bond Income		250.00
Co. Dog Officers		579.50
Wildcat Bounty		30.00
Rent Town Hall		313.50
Rent Alexander Hall		23.00
Interest on deferred taxes		1,268.70
Nurse's fees		306.50
Library fines		190.75
Sealer's fees		21.70
Licenses granted		151.50
Vocational Education fees		11.00
Town Hall dishes and silver, lost or broken		.57
Eastern States Farmers Exch.		3.56
Greenfield Co-op Exch.		1.33
Sale of paint		2.00
Telephone call		.15
General Relief reimbursement		20.00
Town of Montague, equipment damage		38.10
Citizens Insurance		20.45
County Dog Fund		560.35
State		
Loss of taxes	576.71	
Meals tax	1430.03	
Livestock Disease Control	119.58	
Corporation tax	9878.14	
Income tax	3401.05	
School Aid	21,954.23	
Tuition	1,870.12	
Vocational Education	1,995.12	
Transportation	30,478.22	
School Superintendent	1,223.45	
		$ 72,926.65

Real Estate Fund Interest		43.79
Trust Funds Interest		
Elisha Alexander Charity	60.60	
Geo. F. Morgan Charity	90.68	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	15.11	
Belcher Center School	37.25	
Belcher Library	276.05	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	83.08	
P. C. Center, Mt. H. & So. Mt. Cemeteries	416.61	
P. C. Nfld. Farms	107 58	
P. C. West Nfld.	242.72	
P .C. Mary Callender	15.11	
P. C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
Surplus Rev. School Fund	44.30	
		$ 1,454.20
Refunds		
O. A. A. App.	62.15	
O. A. A. USG	90.05	
Schools	85.00	
Dickinson Library	4.31	
		$ 241.51
Sale of Cemetery Lots		191.00
Trust Funds		200.00
Deposit toward Trust Fund		10.00
Total cash receipts		$445,456.88
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1957		121,483.76
		$566,940.64

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

		$566,940.64
Appropriation		$ 25.00
Edgar J. Livingston		25.00

Moderator's Expense

Appropriation		15.00
Edgar J. Livingston	3.30	
Balance to Revenue	11.70	
		$ 15.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		1,200.00
Wallace E. Stange	400.00	
Robert P. Barnes	400.00	
Stanley Wickey	333.33	
William M. Marshall	66.67	
		$ 1,200.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation		350.00
Mass. Ass'n	25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n	6.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	72.30	
Com. Public Safety	5.70	
Hobbs & Warren	5.40	
Johnson & Johnson	11.75	
Barrett & Baker	1.35	
Recorder Publishing Co.	5.43	
The Northfield Press	2.55	
Lawyers Co-op. Pub. Co.	15.00	
Federal Labs Inc.	11.86	
Postage	3.00	
Robert P. Barnes	18.99	
Wallace E. Stange	41.00	
	225.33	
Balance to Revenue	124.67	$ 350.00

Accountant

Appropriation		950.00
Helen M. Stearns		950.00

Accountant's Expense

Appropriation		75.00
Mass. Auditors' Ass'n	3.00	
Helen M. Stearns	72.00	
		$ 75.00

Legal Expense

Appropriation		250.00
Raymond M. Trudel		250.00

Tax Collector

Appropriation		750.00
Roy J. Fish		750.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation	500.00	
Reserve Fund	54.96	
Surplus Revenue	40.00	
		$ 594.96
Mass. Ass'n	2.00	
Read Shaw Agency	5.00	
Roy J. Fish	301.91	
Hobbs & Warren	115.30	
Bernard Walbridge	14.00	
Com. Mass.	15.76	
Postage	122.40	
	576.37	
Bal. to Surplus Revenue	18.59	
		$ 594.96

Treasurer

Appropriation		900.00
Charles F. Slate		900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation		400.00
Mass. Ass'n	2.00	
Colton's Insurance	148.75	
Fr. Co. Trust Co.	63.09	
Barrett & Baker	6.70	
The Todd Co.	30.00	
Hobbs & Warren	12.45	
Johnson & Johnson	54.50	
Postage	82.51	
		$ 400.00

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation		1,600.00
Clifford A. Field	300 00	
Winthrop E. Spencer	300.00	
Lee H. Sheldon	300.00	
Winthrop E. Spencer, Clerk	700.00	
		$ 1,600.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation	225.00	
Reserve Fund	64.10	
		$ 289.10
Mass. Ass'n	66.00	
Registry of Deeds	48.40	
Hobbs & Warren	80.90	
Bernard Walbridge	17.25	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
Remington Rand	17.35	
Clifford A. Field	10.00	
Lee H. Sheldon	10.00	
Winthrop E. Spencer	21.20	
		$ 289.10

Town Clerk

Appropriation		500.00
Horace F. Field		500.00

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation	80.00	
Reserve Fund	3.32	
		$ 83.32

Mass. Ass'n	7.50		
Colton's Ins.	7.50		
American Writing Ink	.97		
Johnson & Johnson	4.25		
Barrett & Baker	37.60		
Horace F. Field	25.50		
		$	83.32

Finance Board Expense

Appropriation			25.00
Mass. Ass'n	15.00		
Bal. to Revenue	10.00		
		$	25.00

Planning Board Expense

Appropriation			50.00
Balance to Revenue			50.00

Town Map for Planning Board

Appropriation			400.00
F. Deane Avery Associates			400.00

Plotting Map for Assessors

Balance from 1956	600.00		
Surplus Revenue	1,000.00		
		$	1,600.00
Smead Lumber Co.	20 97		
Winthrop E. Spencer	30.00		
Robert P. Barnes	192.50		
	243.47		
Balance to 1958	1,356.53		
		$	1,600.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation			900.00
Hobbs & Warren	20.85		
E. A. Hall Pub. Co.	40.00		
Northfield Press	53.90		
Horace F. Field	88.50		
Lawrence M. Hammond	88.50		
Edward F. Hurley	88.50		
Charles D. Streeter	88.50		
Flora Abbey	17.60		
James R. Dale	18.40		
Helen W. Greene	17.60		
Daisy Holton	17.60		
Edward Powell Jr.	17.60		
Minnie Skinner Jr.	17.60		

Harrison G. Stacy	17.60	
Helen M. Stearns	17.60	
	610.35	
Balance to Revenue	289.65	
		$ 900.00

Town Hall Maintenance

Appropriation		5,000.00
Charles F. Slate	1,800.00	
F. M. Dunnell	1,787.98	
W. M. Electric Co.	280.32	
Greenfield Fire Equip. Co.	9.00	
Hamilton S. Cregar	110.24	
Northfield Water Co.	13.11	
Northfield Mart	34.56	
Frank W. Anderson	18.50	
Dept. Pub. Safety	35.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	132.34	
Edward C. Bolton	125.72	
Ray Smith	32.00	
Avery's Store	.16	
Robert Phelps	2.00	
Edmund Morgan	2.00	
	4,382.93	
Balance to Revenue	617.07	
		$ 5,000.00

Town Hall Sewerage Investigation

Appropriation		100.00
Frederick Clough	11.60	
Town Tractor	5.00	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking Co.	72.00	
	88.60	
Balance to Revenue	11.40	
		$ 100.00

Constable and Expense

Appropriation	750.00	
Reserve Fund	23.52	
		$ 773.52
Paul Chamberlain	253.23	
Joseph Morgan	198.44	
Niles Stone	169.60	
Murray Hammond	116.25	
Willis Parker	6.40	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	.40	
Albert P. Brown	29.20	
		$ 773.52

Constables Uniforms and Equipment

Balance from 1956		100.00
George H. Kenney Jr.	72.68	
Balance to Revenue	27.32	
		$ 100.00

Fire Dept. Hose and Equipment

Appropriation		1,200.00
David G. Deane	312.87	
James R. Shea	159.80	
American LaFrance	629.20	
Avery's Store	38.10	
	1,139.97	
Balance to Revenue	60.03	
		$ 1,200.00

Hydrants

Appropriation		400.00
Northfield Water Co.		400.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	2,500.00	
Surplus Revenue	2,000.00	
		$ 4,500.00
Gardiner Hudson	246.50	
F. M. Dunnell Jr.	208.00	
Philip Mann Jr.	189.00	
Howard Williams	192.00	
Harold Williams	118.00	
Edmund Morgan	244.00	
James Morgan	191.00	
James Dale	15.00	
David Quinn	181.00	
Francis Reed	57.00	
Paul Carpenter	120.00	
Walter Clark	23.00	
Roy Barrows	21.00	
William Walker Jr.	117.00	
Leland Black	67.00	
Gilbert Stacy	81.00	
John Hammond	84.00	
Joseph Morgan	88.00	
Roger Holton	108.00	
Warren Randall	26.00	
Vernon Taylor	87.00	
Elsworth Black	96.00	
Fred Avery Jr.	15.00	
Jack Mann	17.00	
Horace Field	11.00	

Dwight Stearns	12.00	
Sundry persons	41.00	
Tri-State Mutual Aid	5.00	
Lily Dan	15.80	
Rua Morgan	4.03	
Johnson & Johnson	80.35	
Morgan Garage	397.15	
J. H. Emerson	11.30	
N .E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	308.88	
Spencer Bros.	26.53	
Mass. Fire Equip. Co.	6.50	
Greenfield Fire Equip. Co.	57.30	
Alfred E. Holton	10.71	
Ray Thompson	76.05	
G. L. Merriam Co.	14.60	
Miller's Tire Service	7.30	
Sudbury Labs.	9.00	
H. S. Cregar	.48	
Tenney Farms	6.15	
American LaFrance	265.90	
James R. Shea	47.15	
Avery's Store	46.68	
C. M. Clougherty Co.	10.00	
David R. Deane	24.20	
Franklin Auto Supply	90.63	
Police Radio Labs	10.17	
Maxim Motor Co.	49.81	
National Fire Protection Ass'n	1.55	
Edmund Tetreault	71.50	
W. W. Wyman Co.	39.24	
Eugene Miller	10.00	
Maurice Taylor	4.00	
Edward Fortier	2.00	
F. M. Dunnell Sr.	5.00	
Gerald Barnes	5.00	
	4,375.46	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	124.54	
		$ 4,500.00

Water Holes

Appropriation		400.00
Gardiner Hudson	60.00	
Leonard Stebbins	8.00	
John Ware	7.50	
W. W. Wyman Co.	150.00	
Morgan Garage	8.50	
Melvin Miller	24.00	
Worthmore Feeds	7.09	

I. Kramer & Sons	5.87	
	270.96	
Balance to Revenue	129.04	
		$ 400.00

Maintenance Fire Station & Town Garage

Appropriation	1,000.00	
Reserve Fund	137.51	
		$ 1,137.51
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. (Hwy. Dept.)	105.80	
W. M. Electric Co.	355.12	
Northfield Water Co.	19.51	
Stanley E. Johnson	589.13	
Alfred E. Holton	11.49	
F. M. Dunnell	50.30	
Northfield Mart	2.66	
Franklin Auto Supply	3.50	
		$ 1,137.51

Public Safety

Appropriation		50.00
Gardiner Hudson		50.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		50.00
Balance to Revenue		50.00

Sealer Weights and Measures and Expense

Appropriation, Salary	150.00	
Appropriation, Expense	40.00	
		$ 190.00
Warren A. Randall		190.00

Gypsy Moth

Appropriation		200.00
Joseph Bilmon	21.00	
Kenneth Miller	12.60	
Hinkley Tree Service	131.25	
Horace F. Field	23.20	
Chiovitti Express	10.94	
	198.99	
Balance to Revenue	1.01	
		$ 200.00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation		1,800.00
Joseph Bilmon	115.50	
Kenneth Miller	159.80	
Harold Clough	240.70	
Ronald Winship	172.55	
Henry Bassett	42.05	
George Smalley	79.30	

Ernest Kenney	162.50	
Orrin Carey	134.80	
Robert Randall	28.00	
Hwy. machinery	333.00	
Melvin Miller	31.50	
Clapp's Service	98.00	
George Wetherby	99 00	
Clayton Glazier	20.80	
Irwin Severance Jr.	82.50	
		$ 1,800.00

Control and Suppression Public Nuisances

Appropriation	800.00	
Reserve Fund	4.12	
		$ 804.12
Joseph Bilmon	225.00	
Clayton Glazier	6.50	
Frederick Clough	23.20	
Kenneth Miller	5.40	
Harold Clough	137.04	
Arthur James	34.00	
Hwy. machinery	74.50	
Hinkley Tree Service	140.63	
Fairfax Biological Co.	94.18	
Avery's Store	.71	
Horace Field	49.30	
K. L. Miller	7.50	
Morgan Garage	2.50	
Chiovitti Express	3.66	
		$ 804.12

Tree Warden

Appropriation		600.00
Joseph Bilmon	53.25	
Irwin Severance	33.00	
Harold Clough	65.98	
Ronald Winship	34 80	
Frederick Clough	67 43	
George Smalley	31.20	
Kenneth Miller	42.90	
Daniel Morgan	3.90	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Robert Phelps	3.90	
N. E. Tree Expert Co.	114 00	
Avery's Store	.40	
Clapp's Service	44.00	
Hwy. Machinery	96.25	
	599.01	
Balance to Revenue	.99	
		$ 600.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		175.00
Robert L. Gibson	170.88	
Balance to Revenue	4.12	
		$ 175.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1956	251.55	
Appropriation	100.00	
		$ 351.55
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	6.00	
Barrett & Baker	4.40	
Hamilton S. Cregar	.71	
	11.11	
Balance to 1958	340.44	
		$ 351.55

Health

Appropriation	1,300.00	
Reserve Fund	751.70	
		$ 2,051.70
Kenneth Miller	77.40	
Henry A. Webster	120.00	
Harold Clough	23.20	
Frederick Clough	23.20	
Henry Bassett	46.40	
David Gibson	8.00	
Orrin Carey	52.00	
Ronald Winship	20.80	
George Smalley	31.20	
Hwy. machinery	200.50	
Abalene Exterminating Co.	120.00	
Nfld. W. S. & G. Co.	62.11	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking Co.	40.00	
Clapp's Service	12.00	
Dr. F. Wilton Dean	22.50	
Dr. Ansel B. True	30.00	
Dr. Pacosa	80.00	
Fr. Co. Hospital	159.96	
Brattleboro Memorial Hospital	751.70	
Horace F. Field—Vital Statistics	109.00	
	1,989.97	
Balance to Reserve Fund	61.73	
		$ 2,051.70

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		2,800.00
Marion C. Billings	2,515.00	
Ruth J. Butler	256.00	
	2,771.00	
Balance to Revenue	29.00	
		$ 2,800.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		75.00
Marion C. Billings	2.50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.55	
Nfld. Pharmacy	12.55	
	20.60	
Balance to Revenue	54.40	
		$ 75.00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation		300.00
Esso Standard Oil Co.	73.08	
Bill's Service Station	1.82	
Spencer Bros.	62.48	
Jordan Motor Sales	5.56	
Sweeney Ford Sales	20.21	
	163.15	
Balance to Revenue	136.85	
		$ 300.00

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	175.00	
Reserve Fund	4.81	
		$ 179.81
Gilbert S. Hammond		179.81

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		50.00
Leroy R. Barnes	25.00	
Balancce to Revenue	25.00	
		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund		5,500.00
Esso Standard Oil Co.	1,189.85	
H. Clough—Gas	2.32	
Miller's Tire Servicce	326.94	
James Neigh	21.60	
Morgan Garage	900.87	

Ray Thompson	9.01	
Jordan Motor Sales	48.26	
Spencer Bros.	845.99	
Clapp's Service	182.54	
Norman Whitney, Inc.	7.50	
H. F. Davis Co.	223.55	
Mutual Steel Co.	41.46	
Graves Equipment Co.	89.82	
Geo. H. Sheldon, Inc.	5.40	
F. M. Dunnell	33.49	
Mason Dixon Steele Co.	51.01	
Transglobal Steel Co.	1,285.26	
Hamilton S. Cregar	7.72	
Colton's Ins., Registrations	12.00	
Frank W. Hance	53.33	
Unitarian Church, rent	20.00	
Kenneth L. Miller	28.80	
Henry Bassett	23.20	
Harold G. Clough	46.40	
Frederick Clough	11.60	
Ronald Winship	10.40	
Charles E. Leach	2.60	
George Smalley	10.40	
	5,491.32	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	8.68	
		$ 5,500.00

Highway Superintendent Expense

Appropriation		25.00
Avery's Store	8.94	
Postage	6.76	
	15.70	
Balance to Revenue	9.30	
		$ 25.00

Tools

Appropriation		200.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	123.46	
Petrometal Industries	32.54	
Frank W. Hance	31.90	
Snap-On Tools	7.49	
Robert P. Barnes	3.00	
	198.39	
Balance to Revenue	1.61	
		$ 200.00

Purchase Truck and Plow

Road Machinery Fund		6,500.00
Balance to 1958		6,500.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation	4,950.00	
Surplus Revenue	18,150.00	
		$ 23,100.00
Kenneth L. Miller	1,737.00	
Henry Bassett	1,081.70	
Harold G. Clough	1,173.05	
Frederick E. Clough	1,210.75	
Ronald Winship	1,189.50	
George Smalley	1,210.30	
Orrin Carey	318.50	
Ernest Kenney	31.20	
Daniel Morgan	124.80	
Charles E. Leach	189.80	
Robert Phelps	31.20	
Robert Scott	103.00	
Alan Bolton	302.00	
Fred Avery Jr.	82.00	
David Gibson	355.00	
Gardiner Hudson	36.25	
Hwy. Machinery	2,707.75	
Chemical Corp.	515.84	
Warner Bros.	72.90	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	2,930.02	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	457.06	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	504.33	
American Tar Co.	4,007.55	
Koppers Co.	1,376.50	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking Co.	196.00	
Frank W. Anderson	276.00	
Melvin L. Miller	880.00	
		$ 23,100.00

1956 Chapter 90 Construction

Balance from 1956		7,703.77
Kenneth L. Miller	532.80	
Henry Bassett	482.85	
Harold G. Clough	390.05	
Frederick E. Clough	53.65	
Ronald Winship	334.95	
George Smalley	270.40	
Orrin Carey	185.60	
Ernest Kenney	176.80	
Daniel Morgan	79.30	
Highway Machinery	618.00	

George Wetherby	180.00	
Mackin Trucking Co.	891.50	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking Co.	1,215.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,028.38	
Clapp's Service	8.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	145.59	
Hamilton S. Cregar	24.30	
J. Herbert Black	189.60	
Frank Stratton	455.00	
Homer Browning Jr.	154 00	
Melvin L. Miller	144.00	
Frank W. Anderson	144.00	
		$ 7,703.77

1957 Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriation	3,000.00	
Surplus Revenue	9,000.00	
		$ 12,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	619.20	
Henry Bassett	479.95	
Harold G. Clough	479.95	
Frederick E. Clough	162.40	
Ronald Winship	479.95	
George Smalley	343.20	
Orrin A. Carey	228.80	
Gardiner Hudson	11.60	
Charles E. Leach	114.40	
Highway Machinery	843.75	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	1,432.75	
Clapp's Service	156.00	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking	2,139.00	
American Tar Co.	725.34	
Lake Aspphalt & Petroleum Co.	319.66	
Sidney Wolfram	920 00	
F. M. Dunnell Jr.	612.00	
Melvin L. Miller	916.00	
Homer Browning Jr.	176.00	
Frank W. Anderson	840.00	
	11,999.95	
Balance to Revenue	.05	
		$ 12,000.00

Chapter 718 Highway Bond Issue

State		6,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	115.20	
Henry Bassett	139.20	
Harold G. Clough	92.80	

Frederick E. Clough	81.20	
Ronald Winship	34.80	
George Smalley	114.40	
Orrin A. Carey	62.40	
Charles E. Leach	20.80	
Highway Machinery	124.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	1,110.83	
J. Herbert Black	130.90	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	28.44	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking	1,324.00	
F. M. Dunnell Jr.	433.50	
Homer Browning Jr.	198.00	
Melvin L. Miller	332.00	
Frank W. Anderson	292.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	469.79	
Koppers Co.	292.21	
Mackin Trucking Co.	56.50	
	5,452.97	
Balance to 1958	547.03	
		$ 6,000.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation	1,500.00	
Surplus Revenue	3,000.00	
		4,500.00
Kenneth L. Miller	201.60	
Henry Bassett	116.00	
Harold G. Clough	116.00	
Frederick E. Clough	85.55	
Ronald Winship	185.60	
George Smalley	135.20	
Orrin A. Carey	72.80	
Charles E. Leach	93.60	
David Gibson	56.00	
Alan Bolton	48.00	
Highway Machinery	334.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	593.44	
All States Co.	937.12	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking	48.00	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	1,181.69	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	99.37	
Frank W. Anderson	152.00	
Melvin L. Miller	44.00	
	4,499.97	
Balance to Revenue	.03	
		$ 4,500.00

Sidewalks

Appropriation		1,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	14.40	
Frederick Clough	11.60	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Highway Machinery	14.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	69.95	
Peter Yarmac	882.05	
		$1,000.00

Branch Road Improvement Northfield Farms

Appropriation		2,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	43.20	
Henry Bassett	58.00	
Harold G. Clough	34.80	
Frederick E. Clough	34.80	
Ronald Winship	46.40	
George Smalley	52.00	
David Gibson	16.00	
Alan Bolton	8.00	
Highway Machinery	172 00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	312.03	
American Tar Co.	375.52	
Frank W. Anderson	64.00	
Melvin L. Miller	64.00	
	1,280.75	
Balance to Revenue	719.25	
		$ 2,000.00

Railings

Appropriation	900 00	
Reserve Fund	17.84	
		$ 917.84
Kenneth L. Miller	23.40	
Henry Bassett	34.80	
Harold G. Clough	34 80	
Frederick E. Clough	65 25	
Ronald Winship	30.45	
George Smalley	41 60	
Daniel Morgan	16.90	
Orrin A. Carey	31.20	
Highway Machinery	68 00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	531.44	
Edwin A. Damon	30 00	
Mabel Bentley	10.00	
		$ 917.84

Bridges

Appropriation		3,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	124.20	
Henry Bassett	81.20	
Harold G. Clough	58.00	
Frederick E. Clough	155.15	
Ronald Winship	81.20	
George Smalley	62.40	
Daniel Morgan	45 50	
Orrin A. Carey	75.40	
David Gibson	16 00	
Alan Bolton	8 00	
Charles E. Leach	10 40	
Highway Machinery	227 50	
Sneider Corp.	44.80	
Mackin Trucking Co.	17 34	
Potter Grain Stores	70.00	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking	224 00	
C. W. Herrick	244.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	151 86	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,262.63	
	2,959 58	
Balance to Revenue	40.42	
		$ 3,000.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation		8,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	487.60	
Henry Bassett	165 30	
Harold G. Clough	472 70	
Frederick E. Clough	49.30	
Ronald Winship	402 00	
George Smalley	305.50	
Ernest Kenney	305 50	
Orrin Carey	66 00	
Fred Avery Jr.	8 00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Charles E. Leach	24.70	
Highway Machinery	1,270 00	
Chemical Corp.	483 00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	1,044 99	
International Salt Co.	728 00	
C.V. Railway Co.	268 00	
Leland Black	71 75	
Eugene Miller	56.00	
Avery's Store	4 00	
F. M. Dunnell Jr.	152.00	

F. W. Anderson	24.50	
Melvin L. Miller	32.00	
Edmund Morgan	7.50	
Tenney Farms	5.00	
The Morgan Garage	12.77	
	6,454.11	
Balance to Revenue	1,545.89	
		$ 8,000.00

Highway Work

Appropriation		1,000.00
Kenneth L. Miller	57.60	
Henry Bassett	92.80	
Harold G. Clough	81.20	
Frederick E. Clough	11.60	
Ronald Winship	34.80	
George Smalley	72.80	
Ernest Kenney	72.80	
Orrin A. Carey	20.80	
Highway Machinery	189.00	
N.W.S. & G. Co.	198.91	
Bernardston Auto Wrecking Co.	64.00	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	19.06	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	65.59	
	980.96	
Balance to Revenue	19.04	
		$ 1,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	5,370.00	
Appropriation—Ashuelot Rd. light	24.00	
Surplus Revenue	150.00	
		$ 5,544.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	5,487.33	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	56.67	
		$ 5,544.00

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		3,000.00
Shirley H. Kehl	2,245.74	
Shirley H. Kehl, travel	78.35	
Karlene Holton	409.98	
Dr. L. R. Dame	40.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	57.10	
Mass. P. W. Association	3.00	
Barrett & Baker	19.05	

Remington Rand	17.35	
Boston Society Service Exchange	10 00	
Burroughs Corporation	18.00	
Hobbs & Warren	5.88	
Johnson & Johnson	32.00	
Postage	30.00	
	2,966.45	
Balance to Revenue	33.55	
		$ 3,000.00

General Relief

Appropriation	4,000.00	
Transfer from D.A.	1,400.00	
Transfer Reserve Fund	62.22	
		$ 5,462.22
Sundry persons		5,462.22

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation	37,000.00	
Refunds	62.15	
		$ 37,062.15
Sundry persons		37,062.15

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		5,000.00
Sundry persons	2,683.64	
Balance to Revenue	2,316.36	
		$ 5,000.00

Disability Assistance

Appropriation	3,500.00	
Transfer to General Relief	1,400.00	
		$ 2,100.00
Sundry persons	1,771.45	
Balance to Revenue	328.55	
		$ 2,100.00

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		3,500.00
Sundry persons	1,724.25	
Balance to Revenue	1,775.75	
		$ 3,500.00

School Committee

Appropriation		300.00
Roy J. Fish	100 00	
Evelyn U. True	100 00	
Irving J. Lawrence	100.00	
		$ 300.00

Schools

Appropriation	102,697.00	
Refund	85 00	
		$102,782.00
George M. Leonard	3,266.56	
John E. Trumbull	2,066.56	
Evelyn G. Lawley	2,973.28	
Beryle Hammond	2,586.56	
Mr. Carleton Brown	2,780 00	
Henry J. Lasak	2,000 00	
Raymond J. Buell Jr.	2,266.56	
Nellie Dearstyne	2,846.56	
Aaron Barnard	2,400 00	
Dorothy Herrick	4,485 64	
Mary E. Dalton Estate	505 12	
Evelyn H. Parker	4,076 00	
Virginia S. Haack	3,946.56	
Sylvia L. Cook	1,544.66	
Jean E. Kozlowski	3,706.56	
Harvey G. Cadwell	2,400 00	
Ruth W. Bolton	4,054.36	
Dorothea Holt Thomas	4,066 56	
Madeline Smithers	1,233 28	
Ruby North	1,678.81	
Clarissa La Claire	1,200 00	
Ruth Stebbins	1,333.28	
Catherine Sheldon	2,836.06	
Nola Skillings	1,213 28	
Helen Gorzocoski	1,530 00	
Esther Galbraith	688.00	
Jeannette L. Rich	385 00	
W. L. Rinehart	450 00	
Dorothy Eccles	294.00	
Bessie Moore	200 00	
Mrs. Russell Phelps	40 00	
Dorothy Persons	30.00	
Jean Hathaway	80 00	
Priscilla Stanley	60.00	
Eleanor Dean	190.00	
Lucille Seymour	50.00	
Eleanor Smiley	140.00	
Doris Dahowski	20.00	
Joan Higgins	20 00	
George Hamilton	10.00	
William Messer	50.00	
Eugene Gancarz	214.24	
F. Sumner Turner	2,109.96	

F. Sumner Turner, travel	185.61
Ann P. James	624.96
Annette A. Gallant	17.60
Dr. F. W. Deane	325.00
Marion C. Billings	700.00
John Spindler	2,849.84
John Ware	1,593.30
Mastaler	50.00
The Northfield	11,454.50
Eugene L. Miller	4,204.90
Robert D. Dumbreck	1,478.12
Ruth Stebbins	49.00
Lewis Shine	51.00
Lodge Petroleum Co.	1,158.23
Turners Falls Coal Co.	1,616.75
C. W. Herrick	16.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	272.01
W. M. Electric Co.	1,343.31
Northfield Water Co.	108.79
Town of Greenfield, vocational	589 08
Town of Montague, vocational	12.00
The Magovern Co.	316.00
Bussell Blakney Co.	22.25
Richco Products	53.44
Cascade Paper Co.	540.15
P. V. Regional School	11.00
H. T. Janes Co.	14.29
World Almanac	18.50
E. A. Hall Co.	56.24
Welch Mfg. Co.	32.99
Lester White	25.00
Johnson & Johnson	14.50
E. F. Holland Co.	58.44
Athletic Trainers Supply	86.28
Clark Hardware Co.	9.50
Sundry Sports Officials	176.00
Rewe Pencil Co.	60.32
Milton Bradley Co.	138.73
J. L. Hammett Co.	49.02
Phillips Paper Co.	71.12
Miller Paper Co.	86.70
Mainco Trading Co.	82.78
Gledhill Bros.	61.25
Richard D. Smith, Inc.	28.62
Du Ev Products	29.34
Mansfield Paper Co.	17.00
Acme Chemical Co.	46.14

West Disinfectant Co.	22.79	
Edward L. Canter Co.	157.50	
C. B. Dolge Co.	190.71	
J. I. Holcomb Co.	162.00	
Roberts Vacuum Cleaner Co.	23.00	
Chas. Scribner's Sons Inc.	27.32	
Ginn & Co.	13.52	
Scott Foresman Co.	37.02	
Rand McNally	176.64	
Row Peterson Co.	359.16	
The Winston Co.	166.68	
Webster Pub. Co.	27.96	
Wilcox & Follett	35.72	
World Book Co.	19.67	
American Air Filter Co.	85.73	
The Hubers	1,030.00	
Greenfield Wallpaper & Paint Co.	48.31	
Pittsfield Typewriter Co.	25.00	
Wirthmore Feed & Supply	13.65	
Lunner Floor Co.	23.20	
Alfred E. Holton	21.80	
Lewis Armature Co.	39.05	
George Corsiglia Co.	147.99	
Paul Mayberry	223.33	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	223.58	
Mass. Association School Committee	26.50	
Franklin County Association School Committee	3.00	
Audubon Society	115.63	
T. J. Hurley, postage	19.00	
F. Sumner Turner, sundry	53.04	
George Leonard, sundry	21.45	
Elizabeth Scott census	39.60	
Commissioner Public Safety	30 00	
Esther Galbraith, sundry	20.31	
Sundry Education	23.99	
California Test Bureau	60.12	
Cooperation Test Div.	11.18	
The Instructor	14.68	
Misc. Students Supplies	947.00	
Misc. Janitors Supplies	12.60	
Misc. Textbooks	15.28	
Paul Thompson	118.00	
	102,728.23	
Balance to Revenue	53.77	
		$102,782.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation		420.00
Sylvia Spencer	100.00	
Barrett & Baker	3.50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	21.27	
John Spindler	20.00	
	144.77	
Balance to Revenue	275.23	
		$ 420.00

P. V. Regional School Capital and Operating Budget

Appropriation		66,630.99
P.V. District operating	33,679.25	
P.V. District Capital	32,951.74	
		$ 66,630.99

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation	150.00
Northfield Farms Library Ass'n.	150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation	5,950.00	
Refund	4.31	
		$ 5,954.31
Florence H. Phelps	2,400 00	
Phelps, Petty Cash	10 00	
Edna Barber	665.00	
Evangeline Cook	1 028.36	
Agda Huber	66.85	
Louise Reeves	10.00	
W. M. Electric Co.	179.26	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	63.40	
F. M. Dunnell	488.68	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
Demco Library Supplies	59.85	
Tracy Burdick	15.68	
Library Book House	502.14	
The Huntting Co.	31.98	
Barrett & Baker	12.10	
Leavis & Bolton	10.50	
Lapoint Advertising	35.00	
Alfred E. Holton	62.20	
The Hubers	201.00	
Melvin L. Miller	10.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	21.90	
Bernard Walbridge	12.25	
Nathaniel Dame	10.00	

Sundry Magazines	35.00	
American Library Ass'n.	6.00	
Trustees Ass'n.	1.00	
O. H. Utley Co.	4.16	
		$ 5,954.31

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		250.00
John Spindler	120.00	
Gray's Drapery Shop	44.40	
Wilson's	4.98	
Sears Roebuck	22.53	
Mrs. Constantine George	10.00	
Mark Aldrich	3.34	
Davis & Nye	44.64	
	249.89	
Balance to Revenue	.11	
		$ 250.00

Insurance

Appropriation		5,300.00
Colton's Insurance	906.15	
Roy J. Fish	2,358.34	
Powell Insurance	1,324.76	
	4,589.25	
Balance to Revenue	710.75	
		$ 5,300.00

Damages

Appropriation	200.00	
Reserve Fund	46.00	
Surplus Revenue	200.00	
		$ 446.00
County of Franklin	246.00	
Balance to 1958	200.00	
		$ 446.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation	100.00	
Reserve Fund	10.00	
		$ 110.00
Northfield Water Co.	25.00	
Frank Bordner	75.00	
Unitarian Church, Electricity	10.00	
		$ 110.00

Town Reports

Appropriation	1,000.00	
Northfield Press	952.95	
Barrett & Baker	.65	
Robert P. Barnes	20.00	
Postage	26.40	
		$ 1,000.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		275.00
Northfield School for Girls	5.00	
Northfield High School	50.00	
Harold Lord	10.00	
Avery's Store	32.40	
Yetters, Florist	81.00	
	178.40	
Balance to Revenue	96.60	
		$ 275.00

Playground and Athletics Field

Appropriation		700.00
The Magovern Co.	330.50	
John Ware	104.50	
Spencer Bros.	3.84	
Arthur Stacey	110.00	
Paul Mayberry	46.44	
Sheldon, Inc.	4.00	
Melvin L. Miller	80.00	
H. S. Cregar	18.84	
	698.12	
Balance to Revenue	198.00	
		$ 700.00

Fish

Appropriation		200.00
Mohawk Trout Hatchery		200.00

Relocating Town Boundaries #2 and #10

Balance from 1956		90.00
Negus & Taylor	12.75	
Balance to Revenue	77.25	
		$ 90.00

Repairs to Steeple; Move and Electrify Clock

Balance from 1956		685.00
Tower Clock Service	680.00	
Frank Bordner	5.00	
		$ 685.00

Install Floodlighting of War Memorial

Balance from 1956		150.00
Alfred E. Holton	87.68	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	62.32	
		$ 150.00

Fire Department 1956 Invoices

Surplus Revenue		861.84
American La France Corp.	800 00	
Maxim Motor Co.	61.84	
		$ 861.84

Cemeteries

Appropriation		2 000.00
David Quinn	75.00	
Ernest Kenney	1,418.29	
Murray M. Hammond	154.67	
Harold Hammond	61.40	
Fred Avery	19 50	
David Gibson	17.00	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
Sheldon, Inc.	1.42	
Avery's Store	2.75	
Kidder & Co.	130 05	
H. S. Cregar	10.71	
Melvin L. Miller	30 00	
Wm. F. Hochn	2.50	
Elton Kinsman	29.26	
Robert Rogers	24 00	
Ernest A. Nash	4.60	
Miller's Tire Service	6.85	
		$ 2,000.00

Cemetery Lots Filing System

Balance from 1956		215.25
George N. Kidder	121.00	
Balance to 1958	94.25	
		$ 215.25

Fire Station Bond, Debt and Interest

Appropriation		4,260.00
Day Trust Co.	3,648 00	
Merchants National Bank	612.00	
		$ 4,260.00

O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance from 1956	597.30	
Receipts	2,066.64	
		$ 2,663.94
Shirley H. Kehl	962.62	
Kehl, travel	22.16	
Karlene Holton	174.23	
Postage	12.00	
Burroughs Corp.	1.15	
Barrett & Baker	5.18	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	21.20	
J. C. Moore Corp.	19.73	
Dr. A. B. True	4 00	
Dr. L. R. Dame	20.00	
	1,242.27	
Balance to 1958	1,421.67	
		$ 2 663.94

A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance from 1956	536.44	
Receipts	332.05	
		$ 868.49
Shirley H. Kehl	320 82	
Kehl, Travel	6.56	
Karlene Holton	55.20	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.75	
	388.33	
Balance to 1958	480.16	
		$ 868.49

D.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance from 1956	430.61	
Receipts	111.23	
		$ 541.84
Shirley H. Kehl	320.82	
Kehl Travel	8.96	
Karlene Holton	68.43	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	8.55	
Dr. L. R. Dame	10.00	
	416.76	
Balance to 1958	125.08	
		$ 541.84

O.A.A.

Balance from 1956	11,996.61	
Receipts	24,017.37	
Refunds	90.05	
		$ 36,104.03
Sundry persons	28,426.95	
Balance to 1958	7,677.08	
		$ 36,104.03

A.D.C.

Balance from 1956	510.60	
Receipts	1,653.60	
		$ 2,164.20
Sundry persons	1,329.05	
Balance to 1958	835.15	
		$ 2,164.20

D.A.

Balance from 1956	833.57	
Receipts	516.00	
		$ 1 349.57
Sundry persons	578.99	
Balance to 1958	770.58	
		$ 1,349.57

School Lunch

Balance from 1956	2,065.33	
Receipts	15,202.98	
		$ 17,268.31
Minnie Huber	1,984.00	
Loretta Peterson	1,446.40	
Esther Clough	942.10	
Raoma Peterson	23.25	
Carol Merrifield	53.00	
Adriel Carpenter	55.00	
John Ware	11.50	
Betty Ware	9.50	
Tevlin Poneck	8 00	
Shirley Smith	50.00	
Nancy Oakman	.50	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	1,806.54	
Andrew Plotczyk	35 65	
Tenney Farms	4,357.19	
F. Sumner Turner	53 50	
Commonwealth of Mass.	133.60	
G. Giovino Co.	442.50	
Mark Aldrich	410.21	
Gen. Baking Co.	743.17	
Podlinski Bros.	100.60	

John Sexton Co.	807.82	
Clarkdale Farm	38.25	
Beryl Hammond	1.95	
Robert Dumbreck	31.70	
Megowan Co.	12.20	
Cecil H. Wilson	67.15	
J. I. Holcomb Co.	49.35	
Alfred E. Holton	25.47	
Paul Mayberry	134.62	
Progressive Ideas, Inc.	743.24	
H. S. Cregar	4.59	
Holyoke Auction Co.	1,050 00	
Salter's Express	120.81	
	15,703.86	
Balance to 1958	1 564.45	
		$ 17,268.31

School Athletics

Balance from 1956	68.33	
Receipts	224.55	
		$ 292.88
The Northfield	145.00	
John Skrypek	60.00	
Edw. Bourdeau	10 00	
Neil Hescock	30 00	
Edw. Treml	40 00	
Raymond Buell Jr.	3.64	
Lawton, dry cleaners	4.24	
		$ 292.88

Belcher Library Fund Interest

Balance from 1956	98.54	
Receipts	276.05	
		$ 374.59
F. M. Dunnell	27.37	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.75	
W. M. E. Co.	18.12	
Ralph Livernoise	2.50	
Donald McCollester	8.00	
Edna Barber	13.82	
National Geographic Society	7.75	
Life	6.75	
H. W. Wilson Co.	7.00	
	97.06	
Balance to 1958	277.53	
		$ 374.59

Dickinson Book Fund

Balance from 1956	11.70	
Receipts	83.08	
		$ 94.78
Library Book House	64.31	
Balance to 1958	30.47	
		$ 94.78

P.C. Center, Mt. Hermon, and So. Mt. Cemeteries

Balance from 1956	321.58	
Receipts	416.61	
		$ 738.19
Ernest Kenney	425.11	
C. V. Railway	5 00	
Millers Tire Service	1.00	
	431.11	
Balance to 1958	307.08	
		$ 738.19

P.C. Northfield Farms Cemetery

Balance from 1956	56.27	
Receipts	107.58	
		$ 163.85
M. M. Hammond	95.99	
Harold Hammond	26.35	
Norman Whitney Inc.	5.60	
H. S. Cregar	3.32	
Ernest A. Nash	3.00	
Elton Kinsman	8.61	
John Hammond	3.00	
	145.87	
Balance to 1958	17.98	
		$ 163.85

P.C. West Northfield Cemetery

Balance from 1956	250.40	
Receipts	242.72	
		$ 493.12
Carlton Holton	54.45	
Philip Holton	15.00	
David Gibson	17.50	
Alexander Higgins	16.00	
Edward Fortier	28.00	
	130.95	
Balance to 1958	362.17	
		$ 493.12

Recapitulation

	Approp.	Payments	Balance
Moderator	25.00	25.00	
Moderator's expense	15.00	3.30	11.70
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,200.00	1,200 00	
Selectmen's expense	350 00	225.33	124.67
Accountant	950 00	950 00	
Accountant's expense	75.00	75.00	
Legal expense	250 00	250 00	
Tax Collector	750.00	750 00	
Treasurer	900 00	900 00	
Treasurer's expense	400 00	400 00	
Assessors	900 00	900 00	
Assessors' Clerk	700.00	700.00	
Assessors' expense	289.10	289.10	
Town Clerk	500 00	500 00	
Town Clerk expense	83.32	83.32	
Election & Registration	900 00	610.35	289.65
Town Hall Maintenance	5,000 00	4,382.93	617.07
Town Hall Sewerage Investigation	100.00	88.60	11.40
Constables	773.52	773.52	
Constables' Uniforms	100.00	72.68	27.32
Fire Dept., New Equipment	1,200.00	1,139.97	60.03
Hydrants	400.00	400 00	
Waterholes	400.00	270.96	129.04
Maintenance Fire Sta. Garage	1,137.51	1 137.51	
Public Safety	50.00	50.00	
Wire Inspector	50 00		50.00
Sealer Wgts. & Measures	150 00	150 00	
Sealer's expense	40 00	40.00	
Gypsy Moth	200 00	198.99	1.01
Dutch Elm	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Public Nuisances	804.12	804.12	
Tree Warden	600.00	599.01	.99
Dog Officcer	175.00	170.88	4.12
Nurse & Substitute	2,800.00	2,771.00	29.00
Nurse's expense	75.00	20.60	54.40
Nurse's Car Expense	300.00	163.15	136.85
Inspection of Animals	179.81	179.81	
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Hwy. Supt. expense	25.00	15.70	9.30
Highway Tools	200.00	198.39	1.61
Chapter 81	23,100.00	23,100.00	
Chapter 90 Const. 1956	7,703.77	7,703.77	
Chapter 90 Const. 1957	12,000.00	11,999.95	.05
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,500.00	4,499.97	.03
Improvement Branch Rd.	2,000.00	1,280.75	719.25
Railings	917.84	917.84	
Bridges	3,000.00	2,959.58	40.42

Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Snow Removal	8,000 00	6,454.11	1,545.89
Highway Work	1,000.00	980.96	19.04
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	250.00		250 00
Public Welfare Adm.	3,000.00	2,966.45	33.55
General Relief	5,462.22	5,462.22	
O.A.A.	37,062.15	37,062.15	
A.D.C.	5,000 00	2,683.64	2,316.36
D.A.	2,100 00	1,771.45	328.55
Soldiers Relief	3,500 00	1,724.25	1,775.75
School Committee	300.00	300 00	
Schools	102,782.00	102,728.23	53.77
Adult Vocational Education	420.00	144.77	275.23
P. V. Operating Budget	33,679.25	33,679.25	
P. V. Capital Budget	32,951.74	32,951.74	
Northfield Farms Library	150.00	150 00	
Dickinson Library	5,954.31	5,954.31	
Alexander Hall	250 00	249.89	.11
Insurance	5,300.00	4,589.25	710.75
Clock and Fountain	110.00	110.00	
Interest	200.00		200.00
Town Reports	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00		300.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00		25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	178.40	96.60
Playground & Athletic Field	700 00	698.12	1.88
Fish	200.00	200.00	
Repairs discontinued School Bldgs.	50 00		50.00
Relocate Town Boundaries #2 & #10	90.00	12.75	77.25
Repairs Church Steeple, Electrify Clock	685.00	685.00	
Finance Board expense	25 00	15.00	10 00
Planning Board expense	50 00		50.00
Map for Planning Board	400.00	400 00	
1956 Fire Dept. Invoices	861.84	861.84	
Cemeteries	2,000.00	2,000 00	
Fire Station debt and Interest	4,260.00	4,260.00	
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			
Tax Collector's expense	594.76	576.37	18.59
Fire Dept.	4,500.00	4,375.46	124.54
Street Lights	5,544.00	5,487.33	56.67
Floodlight War Memorial	150.00	87.68	62.32
Unexpended Balance to Surplus Revenue			
Health	2,051.70	1,989.97	61.73
Unexpended Balance to Reserve Fund			
Machinery Maintenance	5,500.00	5,491.32	8.68
Unexpended Balance to Road Machinery Fund			

Plotting Map for Assessors	1,600.00	243.47	1,356.53
Civil Defense	351.55	11.11	340.44
Purchase of Truck & Sand Spreader	6,500.00		6,500.00
Highway Chapter 718 (Bond Issue)	6,000.00	5,452.97	547.03
Land for Highland Circuit	250.00		250.00
Damages	446.00	246.00	200.00
Cemetery Filing System	215.25	121.00	94.25
Veterans Grave Markers	50.00		50.00

Unexpended Balances to 1958

Unexpended Bal. of Res. Fund to Overlay Reserve	3,061.73	1,180.10	1,881.63
Refunds on taxes		179.25	
Refunds on Motor Vehicle Excise		628.15	
Costs on Taxes		176.40	
U.S.G.—O.A.A. Adm.		1,242.27	
U.S.G.—O.A Assistance		28,42695	
U.S.G.—A.D.C. Adm.		388.33	
U.S.G.—A.D.C. Assistance		1,329.05	
U.S.G.—D.A. Adm		416.76	
U.S.G.—D.A. Assistance		578.99	
School Lunch		15,703.86	
School Athletics		292.88	
Dog Licenses		634.35	
Federal Withholding Taxes		15,069.81	
County Retirement Deduction		2,048.40	
Mass. Hospital Service		1,539.55	
State Parks & Reservations		692.76	
State Audit		960.83	
U. S. Bond Income		250.00	
Veterans Service Center		793.44	
County Retirement System		1,655.10	
County Tax		11,107.67	
County Dog Officer		589.50	
Wildcat Bounty		50 00	
Belcher Library Fund		97.06	
Dickinson Book Fund		64.31	
P.C. Center, Mt. H. & So. Mt. Cemeteries		431.11	
P.C. Northfield Farms		145.87	
P.C. West Northfield		130.95	
Charles F. Slate		.72	
Bunker Estate Trust Fund—to Savings Acct.		200 00	
Total Cash Payments by Warrants		436,756.86	
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1957		130,183.78	
		$566,940.64	

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1957

Assets

Cash		$130,183.78
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1954		
Personal property	71.90	
Real Estate	87.50	159.40
Levy of 1955		
Personal property	249.34	
Real Estate	745.60	994.94
Levy of 1956		
Polls	20.00	
Personal property	449.00	
Real Estate	4,009.60	4,478.60

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees Payroll Deductions		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$ 1,208.04	
Co. Retirement withheld	246.71	
Mass. Hospital Service	333.45	$ 1,788.20
Tailings		20.55
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	621.21	
Geo. F. Morgan Charity	350.85	
Roselle A. Evans Charity	157.96	
Belcher Center School	107.22	
Belcher Library	277.53	
Montague Library	154.47	
Dickinson Book	30.47	
P. C. Ctr., Mt. H., So. Mt. Cemeteries	307.08	
P. C. Nfld. Farms	17.98	
P. C. West Northfield	362.17	
P. C. Mary Callender	62.01	
P. C. Calvin Stearns	48.74	2,497.69

Levy of 1957		
Polls	190.00	
Personal property	1,409.28	
Real Estate	23,299.43	24,898.71
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1957		45.13
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1955	850.77	
Levy of 1956	4,061.31	
Levy of 1957	7,645.84	12,557.92
Tax Titles & Possessions		
Tax Titles	4,812.01	
Tax Possessions	1,295.89	6,107.90
Departmental		
Sidewalks	112.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	394.81	507.19

Federal Grants		
OAA Adm.	1,421.67	
OAA Assistance	7,677.08	
ADC Adm.	480.16	
ADC Assistance	835.15	
DA Adm.	125.08	
DA Assistance	770.58	11,309.72
OAA Recovery		3,638.80
School Lunch		1,564.45
Road Machinery Fund		5,971.42
Overestimate—County Tax		86.04
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,896.12
Trust fund deposit		10.00
Sale of Real Estate		1,260.00
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		7,763.02
Overlays reserved for abatements		
Levy of 1954	159.40	
Levy of 1955	994.94	
Levy of 1956	2,448.55	
Levy of 1957	2,720.01	6,322.90
Revenues Reserved until collected		
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	12,557.92	
Tax Title & Tax Possessions	6,107.90	
Departmental Revenue	507.19	

Aid to Highways		
State	23,730.40	
County	4,500.00	28,230.40
Underestimate		
State Parks & Reservations		31.84
Due from County		
County Dog Officer	36.00	
Wild Cat Bounty	20.00	56.00
		$208,251.81

State and County Aid to Highways	28,230.40	
Farm Animal Excise	45.13	47,448.54
Appropriation balances		
Plotting map for Assessors	1,356.53	
Civil Defense	340.44	
Town truck & Sand spreader	6,500.00	
Chapter 718—Hwy. Bond Issue	547.03	
Land for Highland Circuit	250.00	
Damages	200.00	
Cemetery Filing System	94.25	
Veterans Grave markers	50.00	9,338.25
Surplus Revenue		107,286.11
		$208,251.81

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 51,000.00	Fire Statiton and Garage Loan	$ 51,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	
In custody of Treasurer	$ 64,832.73
In custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In custody of Trustees	9,866.91
In custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$ 75,957.48

Elisha Alexander Charity	2,020.00
Martha Alexander Charity	9,866.91
Lottie Evans Charity	951.10
Geo. F. Morgan Charity	3,000.00
Roselle A. Evans Worthy Poor	500.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School	1,250.00
Belcher Library	9,739.01
Dickinson Book	3,000.00
Montague Library	2,000.00
Cowles Cemetery	2,000.00
Belcher Cemetery	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500.00
Mary Callender Cemetery	500.00
West Northfield Cemetery	8,870.00
P. C. Cemetery Funds	
In custody of Treasurer	13,664.75
In custody of Selectmen	303.00
In custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	13,989.21
	$ 75,957.48

State Audit, Town of Northfield

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1956

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash		$121,483.76
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1953:		
Real Estate		21.45
Levy of 1954:		
Personal Property	$ 228.15	
Real Estate	943.70	1,171.85
Levy of 1955:		
Poll	46.00	
Personal Property	452.74	
Real Estate	3,600.71	4,099.45
Levy of 1956:		
Poll	180.00	
Personal Property	2,791.13	
Real Estate	19,557.99	22,529.12

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$ 1,324.88	
County Retirement System	257.52	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	428.10	$ 2,010.50
Overpayment—to be Refunded:		
Treasurer		.72
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		20.55
Trust Fund Income:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	560.61	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	260.17	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	142.85	
Belcher Center School Fund	69.97	
Belcher Library Fund	98.54	
Maude Montague Library Fund	104.47	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	11.70	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	377.85	
West Northfield Cemetery Funds	250.40	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	46.90	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	33.63	1,957.09

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1954	481.60	
Levy of 1955	2,571.32	
Levy of 1956	7,787.80	10,840.72
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	4,986.08	
Tax Possessions	417.66	5,403.74
Departmental:		
Sidewalk Construction	112.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	519.90	
Veterans' Services	77.26	709.54
Aid to Highways:		
State	13,825.05	
County	4,000.00	17,825.05
Unprovided For or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Underestimates 1956:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment	211.32	
County Tax	695.51	906.83
Dog Officer Fees		26.00

Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	430.61	
Assistance	833.57	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	536.44	
Aid	510.60	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	597.30	
Assistance	11,996.61	14,905.13
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch	2,065.33	
School Athletics	68.33	2,133.66
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
Constables Uniforms and Equipment	100.00	
Chapter 90—Gulf Road	7,703.77	
Civil Defense	251.55	
Relocating Boundaries	90.00	
Clock-Steeple Roof	685.00	
War Memorial Lights	150.00	
Planning Board Map	400.00	
Assessors' Map	600.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	215.25	
Grave Markers	50.00	10,245.57

		Sale of Real Estate Reserve Fund		1,260.00
		Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,705.12
		Road Machinery Fund		10,578.99
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		5,232.21
		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
		Levy of 1953	21.45	
		Levy of 1954	1,171.85	
		Levy of 1955	3,636.47	
		Levy of 1956	2,497.80	7,327.57
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
		Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	10,840.72	
		Tax Title and Possession	5,403.74	
		Departmental	709.54	
		Aid to Highway	17,825.05	34,779.05
		Surplus Revenue		92,861.35
	$185,017.51			$185,017.51

Debt Accounts

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 54,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$ 54,000.00

Trust and Investment Funds

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 62,981.23
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,866.91
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$ 75,374.64

In Custody of Treasurer:		
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	925.48	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	500.00	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00	
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00	
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3,000.00	
Maude Montague Library Fund	2,000.00	
James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8,670.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	13,664.75	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	13,631.99	$62,981.23
In Custody of Selectmen:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	2,020.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	303.00	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees:		
Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund		9,866.91
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		203.50
		$ 75,374.64

Dickinson Library Report

On the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library during the year 1957-58 were the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, chairman, Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway, Mrs. Lillian G. Wells, Mr. Luman A. Barber, Mr. Horace H. Morse, secretary, and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the Town Meeting of March 5, 1957, Mrs. Lillian G. Wells and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson were re-elected to the Library Board for three years.

At the meeting of the Board on December 4, 1957, the resignation of Mr. Morse was accepted and Mr. William H. Hawley was chosen to fill out Mr. Morse's unexpired term. Mrs. Wells has been elected by the Board to succeed Mr. Morse as secretary.

During the year the Board joined the Massachusetts Library Trustees Association. On the invitation of the Board, the meeting of the Connecticut Valley Library Association was held in the Dickinson Memorial Library on May 9, 1957.

The Board has tried to maintain our excellent building in good repair and to keep the grounds neat and attractive. Two features marking this year may be noted - the placing of a sign upon the front lawn and the mounting of an Alaskan Kenai bull-moose head in the Children's Room. The bull-moose head, a source of amazement to older as well as youthful spectators, is a loan from Mr. Theodore Darby, Jr., a former resident of our town.

The lighting in the lobby has been improved by the installation of modern fluorescent lights. The walls of the hall and stairs to the second floor have been repainted and the ceiling whitewashed.

Again the reader of the Librarian's Report should be warned that its matter-of-fact record of the work of the Librarian and her staff is an inadequate statement of the great service which they render to the book-loving members of our community, especially to our young people.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman

HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

Librarian's Report

Report of the Librarian to the trustees of Dickinson Memorial Library, for the year, 1957.

Circulation of books, magazines and pamphlets, etc. at the library for the year 1957 was 28,264, which is a gratifying increase of 1820 over the preceding year. This is all the more satisfying since we expected a decrease because of the removal of students from our High School to the new Pioneer Valley Regional Junior Senior High School. Very few of the students are now able to use our library because of lack of transportation, whereas they formerly were allowed a library period in which to get books for school use.

Circulation is distributed as follows:

Books, adult fiction	7,986
Books, adult non-fiction	3,162
Books, juvenile fiction	8,812
Books, juvenile non-fiction	2,875
Magazines, adult	1,499
Magazines, juvenile	301
Bookmobile books, adult	2,118
Bookmobile books, juvenile	1,511
	28,264
Circulation for 1956	26,444
	1,820

It is interesting to note that in 1945 the circulation was 15,255 and this year 28,264, an increase of 13,009, nearly double.

A total of 508 books were catalogued; 248 by purchase and 260 were gifts of friends. Books purchased comprised 89 fiction and 59 non-fiction for the adults and 70 fiction and 30 non-fiction for the children. 83 books were removed from circulation, by loss or by being worn beyond repair, leaving a total of 14,554. The library also has a "special collection" of "out-of-print" books numbering 778, not in circulation.

The Regional Library Center, located at Greenfield, Mass., whose Bookmobile visits the library about once in six weeks, has loaned 1,213 books to the library during the year. 545 were left in other parts of the town for circulation.

Registration of residents using the library as of January 1, 1957, is 948, of which 403 are juvenile and 545 adults. Thirteen non-residents paid $1.00 for the use of the library for one year.

Fourteen children took part in the "Reading for Fun" program during July and August, with a total of 250 books read.

The library now subscribes to 16 magazines and 15 other magazines are given by friends of the library.

The total amount received on overdue books, and for damaged or lost books, was $190.75.

The Annual Spring Meeting of the Connecticut Valley Library Association was held in the Dickinson Memorial Library, May 9th, 1957, with 48 members, librarians and trustees, present. Mrs. Louise Reeves, chairman of the local trustees, welcomed the group and introduced the speaker, Mr. William Morrow of Mount Hermon. Miss Mabel E. Glasson, librarian at the Wheeler Memorial Library, Orange, Mass., presided at the meeting. Mrs. Gwendolyn Leavis assisted with the registration. Library Book House of West Springfield, displayed a fine collection of new books.

The following persons very graciously arranged exhibits for the library during the year, in addition to those arranged by the librarian: Mrs. Mabel Bonney, Mrs. Dorothy Miller, Mrs. Gertrude Whitney, Miss Bessie Moore, paintings; Mrs. Josephine S. Roeder, coat of arms and emblems of American Colleges; Douglas Jones, ceramics; Mrs. Minnie Bolton, Mrs. Dorothy Miller, painted trays; Mrs. Evangeline Cook, Miss Priscilla Cram, Currier & Ives lithographs; Mrs. Mildred Nims, Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau, Irving J. Lawrence, Mrs. Edith Aldrich, flowering plants; Mrs. Constantine George, hand weaving and spinning. Members of the Northfield Chapter D.A.R. put on a fine exhibit for Flag Day.

Memorial gifts of books for the year:

"Rainbow Book of Nature," by Donald C. Peattie, given by Mrs. Virginia Haack in memory of her mother. "Hammond's Nature Atlas of America," given in memory of Mrs. Mary (Green) Parker, by her friends: Mildred Pefferle, Jessie H. Hyde, Marion Goodspeed, Fannie G. Field, Beatrice A. Harris, Adah Steadler, Ruth Darby, and Betty Wright. The "Syrian Yankee" given by The Fortnightly Club of Northfield; and, "Guide to the early American Homes, North," given by The Ladies Sewing Society of the Trin. Congregational Church, both in memory of Mrs. Lizette (Jaynes) Vorce. "The cup of fury," by Sinclair, given by the Mass. Christian Temperance Union, in memory of Mrs. Minnie Morgan.

In addition to the gifts of books, the following articles were received: several objects of historical value were given by Miss Gertrude Field, which have been placed in the cases on the second floor. Among the collection are several Indian arrowheads; samples of beautiful eyelet embroidery, with stiletto she used in making it, made by Miss Field's grandmother; a most unusual toy, highly prized as a child by her mother, is a duck and two ducklings whose wings work by small bellows. Also, a canteen carried by Alfred Pierce in the Civil War, and a daguerreotype of his wife.

Mr. Earl Field of Boston, gave an enlarged framed photograph of Northfield's Main Street taken on Memorial Day, 1906, which hangs in the reading room. Mrs. Fred Pallam gave a colored framed picture of a "Moslem at prayer," which has been hung in the childrens' room.

The librarians wish to thank the trustees for their cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
FLORENCE H. PHELPS, Librarian

Report of Dog Officer

A total of 83 calls were made. 52 of these were for stray dogs, with no collars or tags. They were boarded and destroyed. 5 dogs were claimed by owners. 4 were run over by cars and had to be disposed of. 1 was sold. This is a total of 63 dogs, the other 20 calls were made to owners about their pets causing disturbances and annoying people.

Perhaps you are wondering why there are so many strays. The law says all dogs must wear collars with name plates and license tags at all times. If they have only a collar they are strays and can be destroyed.

People get small puppies but when they get larger and can't be allowed in the house they are allowed to run at large making a nuisance of themselves. Not all these dogs are unlicensed but the majority of them are. Most of them are females. The licensed dogs that roam the streets all day and part of the night are of no value to their owners, and make poor pets.

Please, dog owners, put collars, tags and name plates on your dog to save trouble and expense to yourself and the town.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT L. GIBSON, Dog Officer

Fire Chief's Report

The Northfield Fire Department has had another full year of activities. We received 128 calls; 22 of which were false alarms or no answers; 67 calls were answered. The breakdown of fires answered is as follows:

Building fires 6, Chimney fires 4, Brush & Grass fires 19, Misc., wires, autos, etc. 18, Town dumps 11, Resuscitator 3, Portable lighting system 1

We were called upon for Mutual Aid Assistance 5 times and received Mutual Aid Assistance 11 times, for which we are grateful.

At this time I would like to stress the fact to anyone taking rubbish to the dump to be more cautions. 75% of the calls could have been eliminated. Extreme caution is needed when the ban for outdoor fires is on.

We held another twenty-hour training program which was conducted by Deputy Chief Edmund Tetreault, starting June 27 with 28 in attendance of which 20 received certificates, six from Vernon, Vermont. Two of our members attended the Vermont State Fire Fighters Training program for 15 weeks and received their certificates.

On October 20, 1957, 44 men from nine towns conducted a one-day program of actual fire fighting at the Meadowwood Training Fire Department Training Grounds in Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire.

On September 8, 1957, we attended the Fireman's Muster and parade at the Greenfield Fairgrounds and won second place in one event.

New equipment purchased for the year consisted of lights & cord to go with the Portable Generator which has proven to be a very valuable piece of equipment.

200 feet of 2½" hose, 200 feet of 1½" hose, 300 feet of 1⅛" Forestry hose, Boots, gloves, etc.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the women on the fire phones for the wonderful job they have done, and to the fireman and the residents of Northfield for their cooperation during the past year.

Let's be careful to keep our insurance rate down by keeping the smoke down.

GARDINER R. HUDSON, Fire Chief

Report of Forest Warden

There were 823 open air permits issued in 1957. A total of 20 brush, grass, dump and woodland fires extinguished which did very little damage. Many thanks must go to our state observation towers for the splendid job they did. There were four Mutual Aid calls received for out of town forest fire assistance including the severe fires at Orange and Montague. Because of the lack of rain last year there existed an extremely hazardous condition, this resulted in a statewide closing of woodlands three times which banned all outdoor fires.

I would like to remind you that it is a state law that a fire permit be obtained for all open air fires large or small throughout the entire year. This can be obtained either by telephone or in writing from the forest warden.

Through your cooperation our woodlands were saved during this serious hazardous condition. Thank you very much.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS, Forest Warden

Tree Warden Report

In 1957 we had four bad storms that cost $400.00 for clearing up leaving only $200.00 for trimming.

During the past year I served as President of the Western Massachusetts Tree Wardens' and Moth Superintendents' Association.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON, Tree Warden

Report of the Moth Superintendent

Clusters of gypsy moth eggs were found on Notch Mountain and also near the New Hampshire line in East Northfield. These spots must be checked thoroughly in April and sprayed as required.
PUBLIC NUISANCE:

300 gallons of 10% D.D.T. and 36 pounds of milky disease spores were used to combat Japanese Beetles in 1957. The Northfield Garden Club contributed $25.00 toward the cost of this material. I recommend the use of twice as much milky disease spore for 1958.

In 1957 we used 2,750 gallons of 2-4-D-5T. for Poison Ivy Control. All places where children play, such as baseball diamonds and swimming holes were treated.

During 1957, 135 diseased trees were removed and burned. 117 of 130 samples taken and sent to the University of Massachusetts for culture were positive Dutch Elm Disease. These trees were located as follows:

46 West Northfield, 11 East Northfield, 40 Northfield, 20 Northfield Farms.

200 gallons of 12% D.D.T. were used as a dormant spray and in May 400 gallons of 6% D.D.T. were used to control the leaf eating insects and elm bark bettles which are known to spread the disease. Only by a sanitation and spray treatment can we expect to save our elms. Losses have been cut from 7% to less than 1% in cities where a major effort was made to save the trees. Monthly reports were sent to the Department of Natural Resources. This Department furnished D.D.T. 25% emulsion.

Respectfully submitted

JOSEPH BILMON, Tree Warden

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as Public Health Nurse.

The annual Well Child Clinic was attended by seventy-nine children. Volunteer members of the Fortnightly assisted with clerical work and transportation. Dr. Walter Pacosa, Pediatrician, was in charge.

This year Greenfield Health Camp accepted three children from Northfield. All seemed to benefit from the experience. Two of these youngsters, as well as a third child, were sponsored by Kiwanis Club, who also furnished vitamins to needy families.

During the year sixteen Northfield people had chest X-rays at the clinic in Greenfield.

In November the Red Cross Blood Mobile made its annual visit and reported 107 possible donors, from whom 97 pints of blood were collected. Recruiting of local personnel was handled by the Grange and the Public Health Nurse.

A final clinic for the purpose of administering Salk vaccine was attended by 125 in June. Further immunizations will become the responsibility of the persons involved.

Crippled Children's Clinic sponsored by the State Dept. of Public Health was attended by 73 children.

Eleven children under school age were taken to Pediatric Clinic in Greenfield for immunizations.

A course at the University of Massachusetts was completed in June for which college credits were given. Two in-service lectures were attended. Several Civil Defense meetings and an Institute for instructors of Civil Defense First Aid courses was completed.

Total calls for the year are as follows:	1060
Non-communicable	1032
Acute communicable	28
Tuberculosis	11
Maternity	14
Pre-school	87
School	444
Adult	568
Total fees collected	$293.00

Respectfully submitted

MARIAN C. BILLINGS, R. N.

Board of Health Report

The Board of Health has inspected several buildings in Northfield in 1957 and has condemned two as unfit for human habitation. These buildings may not be used for human habitation until they have been put in suitable condition and been approved by the Board of Health.

This year the Board of Health has assisted in the hospital care of three premature babies at a total expenditure of $889.15.

The following list of contagious diseases was reported to the Board of Health:

8 Dog Bite; 5 Chicken Pox; 2 Mumps; 5 Scarlet Fever; 1 Whooping Cough.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. BARNES, Chairman

Board of Health

Civil Defense Director's Report

The entire staff of CD organization participated in the "Operation Scarlet" exercise on April 8, 1957, and in "Operation Pre-Alert 1957" which was held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 24, 25, and 26, 1957. The Control Center at the Fire Station was fully manned at all times during the training exercises as requested and all concerned are to be commended for their efficient co-operation in dealing with the problems as they arose.

Mr. Sidney Given attended a course at UM, which qualified him as our Radiac Officer. Mrs. Glenn Billings and Mrs. James Goodwin also qualified as Instructors for the CD Disaster First Aid Course which we have arranged to be held in 1958, and which will qualify personnel to man the 54 bed Mobile First Aid Station which has been assigned to Northfield by MCDA, and which is stored in the basement of the Dickinson Memorial Library. We are grateful to the Library Trustees for their co-operation in allowing us the use of this centrally located space.

The Observation Post of the Ground Observer Corps, which is located on the Grounds of the Northfield Hotel, and is under the direction of Mr. Emory Rikert has been placed on a Stand-By basis, as requested by State GOC, and we have had 100 per cent coverage for all training exercises held during the year as they have occurred.

Completion of the current Housing Survey has been suspended pending a clarification of CD policy with regard to evacuation.

I would like to sincerely thank Mr. Edward M. Powell, Jr., Deputy Director, and all of the many townspeople who have cheerfully volunteered their time and effort to Civil Defense.

HORACE F. FIELD

Civil Defense Director

Revaluation for Equalization Committee Report

Town of Northfield

In accordance with the provision of Article 60 of the Town Warrant of 1956 the following Committee of five, appointed by the Moderator, has continued its study of the need for equalization of property values during 1957. We wish to express our appreciation to the Board of Assessors for their help in making this study.

Our study this last year has been to determine the best means of revaluation in order to arrive at a fair equalization value of all property. There are two means of arriving at this equalization:

1. By hiring an outside firm to systematically evaluate all property in Northfield at a cost of between $8,000 and $15,000.

2. By providing the necessary means and assistance from the taxpayers for our Board of Assessors to systematically evaluate all property on an equal basis.

CONCLUSION: After having studied the results of several towns of our approximate size that have used both of the above means, we have come to the unanimous conclusion that we recommend a revaluation done by our own Board of Assessors. It is also the unanimous opinion of the Board of Assessors.

It is our belief that the results will be equal, and perhaps even superior, to the results of an outside firm.

We recommend that starting in the year 1958 they be given enough money to purchase the necessary forms and records and to cover the cost of any consultation service necessary to assure that a modern, simplified, and state approved evaluation procedure be set up.

After having set up the necessary uniform rules and measuring system for equalization value of all property, they will need an advisory consultant at times to assure that the valuation on homes and dwellings will be comparable with special properties, principally commercial.

By this means it is estimated that the total cost will not exceed $3,000 and the job can be completed within two years.

If it be the wish of the Town, the Comittee will continue to assist and advise the Board of Assessors in their problems and also assist in advising the best ratio of valuation to the saleable value of property.

Respectfully submitted,

A. GORLON MOODY, Chairman
THOMAS HURLEY, Secretary
HERMAN FISHER
ROGER GREENWOOD
PETER LADZINSKI, JR.

Cemetery Commissioners Report, 1957

The several cemeteries of the Town of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT FOR 1957

CENTER CEMETERY

Ernest Kenney	$1,843.40	Elton B. Kinsman	8.25
Fred Avery	19.50	Millers Tire Service	7.85
Northfield Water Company	12.00	Central Vermont Railway, Inc.	5.00
William F. Hoehn (Notary)	1.50	David G. Quinn	75.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	3.76		
Melvin Miller	30.00		
Avery's Store	2.75		$2,139.06
Kidder and Co.	130.05		

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ 1.00	Robert Rogers	24.00
Carlton W. Holton	54.45	Edward Fortier	28.00
Philip Holton	15.00		
David Gibson	34.50		$ 172.95
Alexander Higgins	16.00		

FARMS CEMETERY

Hamilton S. Cregar	$ 10.27	Ernest A. Nash	7.60
Murray M. Hammond	250.61	John Hammond	3.00
Harold Hammond, Jr.	87.75	Norman E. Whitney, Inc.	5.60
George H. Sheldon, Inc.	1.42		
Elton B. Kinsman	29.62		$ 395.87

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman
CARLTON W. HOLTON
MURRAY M. HAMMOND
Cemetery Commissioners

RECEIVED FOR THE SALE OF LOTS 1957

Name	*Cemetery*	*Lot No.*	*Price*
Mrs. Lillian Allen	W. Nfld.	109	25.00
Mrs. Fannie G. Field	Center	A38	30.00
George F. Barber, Estate	W. Nfld.	64	1.00
C. Fritz Hoelzer	Center	A39	15.00
George and Helen Payne	W. Nfld.	130	25.00
Mary E. Bunker Estate	W. Nfld.	217	15.00
Mr. & Mrs. Herman L. Dickinson	Mt. Hermon	37	15.00
Richard R. and Alice C. Strange	W. Nfld.	164	25.00
			151.00
Paid to the Town of Northfield			151.00

Planning Board

The Planning Board has had a very active year and we feel that a great deal has been accomplished. Some trouble was encountered in getting organized as a result of the resignation of the chairman, George Sheldon. Mrs. Agnes Hammond was elected to fill his place at a combined meeting with the selectmen and Dr. Dean was elected chairman and Mrs. Hammond Secretary.

The official map of Northfield having been prepared, presented at the March Town Meeting, and officially accepted, the way was cleared for work on protective by-laws for Northfield. This has constituted our main activity for the year though many other less important items came to our attention.

A tentative draft of "Protective By-Laws" has been prepared, and is now being studied by our legal counsel. If acceptable, a public hearing will soon be held and if the proposed by-laws are approved at the hearing, then they will be presented at the town meeting for approval of the town. It is felt by all of us on the Board that some protective by-laws are vitally necessary to enable the selectmen to have power to protect our town against the further invasion of our beautiful residential area by new filling stations or other unwarrant-

ed establishments, and we hope the whole town will cooperate with us at the coming hearing and town meeting.

Respectfully submitted

F. WILTON DEAN
MRS. AGNES HAMMOND
L. PERCY GOODSPEED
HARVEY H. HATHAWAY
A. GORDON MOODY

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on April 1, 1957, with Ross L. Spencer as Chairman and Mildred E. Addison as Secretary. The Committee has held six meetings and all financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $3,000 Reserve Fund and $25.00 Expense Account were authorized as follows:

June	3—	Tax Collector Account	$ 54.96
		Land Damage Account	46.00
		Board of Health Account	751.70
August	16—	Assessors Expense Account	57.00
December	30—	Assessors Expense Account	7.10
		Town Clerk Expense Account	3.32
		Constables Expense Account	23.52
		Fire Account, Maintenance	137.51
		Railing Account	17.84
		General Relief Account	87.22
		Clock & Fountain Account	10:00
		Public Nuisance Account	4.12
		Inspection of Animals Account	4.81
		Total	$1,205.10
		Balance	$1,794.90
June	3—	Expense Account	$ 15.00
		(Fee to join Finance Association)	
		Balance	$ 10.00

ROSS L. SPENCER, Chairman
MILDRED E. ADDISON, Secretary
MARK B. ALDRICH
HARRY A. ERICKSON
CHARLES W. LLEWELYN
HERBERT H. MAYNARD

At the December 30 meeting the resignation of Ross L. Spencer was received and Roger M. Greenwood was appointed to fill the unexpired term. Charles W. Llewelyn was elected Chairman for the Board.

Veterans' Agent Report

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Massachusetts

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District Veterans' Service Center and the Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1957:

1.	Active Service Problems	174
2.	Bonus	239
3.	Compensation	295
4.	Death Benefits	406
5.	Discharges	201
6.	Education	132
7.	Employment	185
8.	Finance	291
9.	Housing	83
10.	Insurance	113
11.	Legal	160
12.	Loans	47
13.	Medical	988
14.	Notarizations	40
15.	Pension	412
16.	Photostats	2530
17.	Recordings	211
18.	Selective Service	174
19.	Social Security	76
20.	Taxes	584
21.	Veterans' Benefits	5395
22.	Vital Statistics	482
23.	Unclassified	1174
	Total	14,392

These figures represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women of any war under the jurisdiction of this district unit. The number of requests by the veterans of the Town of Northfield were in proportion to those of other member towns.

The Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield rendered financial assistance to eight families during the year 1957. Two of these cases were of a permanent nature with the remaining six classified as temporary. This resulted in expenditures of $1,724.25 with an estimated reimbursement of $862.12 to be made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

The outlook for the year 1958 would indicate a continued increase in the services of this department.

Respectfully submitted,
HOMER L. GAMELIN, Veterans' Agent

School Committee Report

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1957

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Irving Lawrence	Term expires 1959
Evelyn True, Secretary	Term expires 1958

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 10:00 A.M. at the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. — Harvard M. Ed.
Boston University — University of Massachusetts
Office, Pioneer Valley Regional School, Tel.757

School Secretary

Ann P. James

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1958-1959)

Schools Open January 6, 1958	Close February 21, 1958
Schools Open March 3, 1958	Close April 18, 1958
Schools Open April 28, 1958	Close June 13, 1958
Schools OpenSeptember 3, 1958	Clos eDecember 23, 1958
Schools Open January 5, 1959	Close February 20, 1959

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my tenth annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1957. This is the 221st report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

MISS MARY E. DALTON

On January 11, 1957, the school and community were saddened to learn of the death of Miss Mary E. Dalton. Her fatal illness overtook her as she was hurrying to school on that very cold morning. Miss Dalton started teaching in the Rural School No. 6 in September, 1912. She also taught four years in Rural School No. 3 and in September, 1918, started teaching in the Center School, where she continued until her death. She had taught over 44 years in the Town of Northfield. Miss Dalton was a conscientious, hardworking, and faithful teacher, a credit to our community. Miss Dalton was respected by parents and pupils, and all that knew her mourned her passing. A memorial fund of $302.00 has been donated by her friends throughout the community with which a display case for the hall of Center School is being designed and installed.

TEACHERS

Changes in Personnel

Miss Mary E. Dalton, deceased January 11, 1957
Mrs. Sylvia Lucie Cook, May 3, 1957
Mr. Harvey G. Cadwell, August 15, 1957
Mrs. Jeanette L. Rich, June 30, 1957
Mrs. Esther Galbraith, June 30, 1957

Appointments

Miss Madeline A. Smithers, Boston University, B.A., Hartford Seminary, Foundation, M.A. — Kindergarten

Mrs. Ruby North, Greenfield Commercial School ,Bay Path Institute, Fitchburg Normal School — Grade 2

Mrs. Ruth Stebbins, Lowell Teachers' College, B.S. — Grade 3

Mrs. Clarissa LaClaire, Wheaton College, University of Massachusetts — Grade 3

Mrs. Catherine Sheldon, Fitchburg Normal School — Grade 4

Miss Nola Skillings, Eastern Nazarene College, B.S., Boston University, University of Maine — Grade 5

Mrs. Helen Gorzocoski, University of Massachusetts, B.A. — Grade 6

Miss Dorothy Eccles, New England Conservatory, Boston University Summer School — Music Supervisor

Miss Bessie Moore, Fitchburg Normal School, Columbia University, B.S., M.A. — Art Supervisor

Mr. Eugene Gancarz, Boston University, B.M., M.M. — Instrumental Music

Mr. William Messer, Springfield College, B.S., University of Vermont—Physical Education

Miss Eleanor Smiley, Arnold College, B.S. — Physical Education

In September, the pupils of Grades 7 through 12 were transferred to the Pioneer Valley Regional School, leaving the High School Building for the expansion of the Elementary School. This gave the opportunity to achieve the following items: division of overlarge classes; abolition of two grades in the same room; opening of a Kindergarten; a room in which to hold assembly programs; and the return of Alexander Hall to the women of the town. To accomplish these things, the room formerly occupied by Grade 5 was remodeled as a Kindergarten. The four classrooms on the south of the High School were made ready for Grade 4, two Grades of 5 and one of Grade 6, by the addition of elementary school furniture. In the main room, the fixed desks and chairs of the high school were removed, and replaced by movable chairs for program purposes. During the Christmas vacation, the Alexander Hall was redecorated and returned to the women of the Alexander Hall Committee.

The School Committee wishes to express their appreciation to the Alexander Hall Committee for the use of the two rooms during the past ten years.

These accomplishments have already shown fine results. A glance at this year's enrollment figures will show that last year's arrangement of classes could not have been adequate in any sense of the word. We can now look forward to a greatly improved elementary education for the boys and girls of Northfield.

Enrollments

Kindergarten	44	Miss Smithers (morning and afternoon sessions)
Grade 1	31	Mrs. Bolton
Grade 1	31	Mrs. Thomas
Grade 2	33	Mrs. Haack
Grade 2	33	Mrs. North
Grade 3	25	Mrs. Stebbins
Grade 3	24	Mrs. LaClaire
Grade 4	23	Mrs. Kozlowski
Grade 4	22	Mrs. Sheldon
Grade 5	24	Mrs. Parker
Grade 5	22	Miss Skillings
Grade 6	36	Mrs. Gorzocoski
Total	348	

In the fall, when the present Grade 5 becomes Grade 6, it will be necessary to have two sections of Grade 6. Thus, we will have thirteen classrooms in operation in September. The School Committee is planning to remodel the southwest room of the high school as a classroom. The School Committee has placed in the forthcoming budget a sum of $500, for which it has been estimated that this room can be made attractive and useful.

Textbooks

During the year, new textbooks were added in arithmetic, Grades 1, 2, and 4, and social studies books in Grade 5. The adoption of these books was the result of a careful study by a committee appointed for that purpose, and now we will appoint a committee to study an adoption of a new science text.

School Cafeteria

During the year 53,631 student lunches ,2,152 adult lunches, and 9,666 additional bottles of milk were served. About 260 of the 300 who are in the building at lunchtime are served by the cafeteria. Much credit should be given Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Loretta Peterson, and Mrs. Esther Clough for the splendid lunches served each day. Parents are most welcome to visit school and have lunch with their child.

Instrumental Music

I am very happy to report that the instrumental music in school time has prospered very much under the guidance of Mr. Eugene Gancarz, instrumental music teacher. Mr. Gancarz comes on school days once a week, and has 35 pupils in his class. These pupils show great interest, and should be ready for the Pioneer Valley Regional School band when they enter Grade 7.

Adult Education

The Northfield Evening Arts Program sponsored one class in Rug Hooking and Braiding during the spring term. This program will be continued by the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee. In the near future, announcements will be made concerning the dates and classes in that program.

Northfield Evening Practical Arts

Appropriation	$100.00	
Registrations	11.00	
Reimbursement from State	318.55	
		$429.55
Expenditures:		
Teachers' Salaries	$100 00	
John Spindler	20 00	
Barrett and Baker	3.50	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	21.27	
		144.77
Balance		284.78

Finances

Usually at this time, I present comparisons of the costs of the schools of Northfield and those of similar towns. During the past year, we operated until June in the usual fashion, with Grades 1 through 12, and then in September, we operated Kindergarten through Grade 6 in Northfield, and sent our 7-12 pupils to the Pioneer Valley Regional School. Thus, the figures of cost are not comparable with the cost of pupils in other towns, and the comparisons do not possess much meaning. The year 1958 will represent a full, complete year of the operations of the schools in Northfield from Kindergarten through Grade 6, and its share of the operation of Grades 7 through 12 in the Pioneer Valley Regional School. At that time, we will have figures that can be compared to the cost of education in other towns. During the past year, the educational program cost the local taxpayers $59,-190.26. The total expenditures were $102,697.00. The difference of $43,506.74 for the most part was from state reimbursement. The net decrease was $6,043.04. During 1957, Northfield's share of the operational budget of the Pioneer Valley Regional School was $33,679.25. This, added to the Northfield budget, would make an increase of $27,636.21. Most of this increase in cost can be attributed to the fact that Northfield now has 523 pupils enrolled in its public schools. This is an increase of 65 over the number enrolled at this time a year ago. At the present time, there are 44 pupils eligible to enter the Kindergarten in September, 1958, and in June, 1958, we will have 13 seniors graduate from the Regional School. This means that a year from now, we should have approximately 554 pupils attending public schools.

The reimbursements for 1958 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1958	$23,600.85
Vocational Tuition	277.40
Vocational Transportation	974.07
Transportation	11,700.00
State Wards, Tuition and Travel	2,500.00
Supt. Salary and Travel	1,233.45
Interest School Surplus Fund	44.30
Total	$40,320.07

These reimbursements depend in part on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

It is evident that the costs of education have increased, as the costs of everything in modern life have increased, but, I am certain that when the results of the year 1958 are measured, we will be pleased to note that the results are worth the extra cost that it has entailed. These new facilities belong to the towns, and I hope that they, through pupils in school, and other activities, will make the greatest use of them possible. Please do not let your visit on Open House or Dedication Day be your only visit to the building.

We all realize that new buildings and new facilities alone do not make a good school. The leadership, the faculty, the parents, the pupils, and all other agencies must work together to achieve our goal—the finest elementary and secondary schools possible for the boys and girls of our towns. The first step—the buildings and facilities—is nearly complete, and we enter the second step of our program confident that we can match the buildings with the same high calibre of instruction and education.

The schools of our town are the results of the cooperative efforts of all people from the School Committee, Principal, Teachers, Secretarial staff, and other workers of the school, Parents and Townspeople. Only together can we achieve success. I wish to express my gratitude for the continued cooperation and assistance granted me by all members of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER

Superintendent of School

Report of School Organization

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B. A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M.A.
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institute of Technology *Leslie College Extension *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Ruby North	Grade 2	*Greenfield Commercial School Bay Path Institute *Fitchburg Normal School
Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	Lowell Teachers' College, B.S.
Clarissa LaClaire	Grade 3	Wheaton College *University of Massachusetts

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Jean E. Kozlowski	Grade 4	Tufts University, B.A. *University Extension
Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal School
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S. *Boston University
Nola Skillings	Grade 5	Eastern Nazarene College,B.S. *Boston University *University of Maine
Helen Gorzocoski	Grade 6	University of Massachusetts, B.A.
Marian C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Dorothy Eccles	Music Supervisor	New England Conservatory *Boston University Summer School
Bessie Moore	Art Supervisor	Fitchburg Normal School Columbia University, B.S., M.A.
Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
William Messer	Physical Education	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Eleanor Smiley	Physical Education	Arnold College, B.S.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler — Part-Time Assistant: John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber — Mrs. Loretta Peterson — Mrs. Esther Clough

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

	Approp. 1957	Used 1957	Recom. 1958
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,160.00	$ 2,109.96	$ 1,785.00
Out-of-State	35.00	28.11	35.00
Travel	135.00	157.50	180.00
Clerk	580.00	642.56	554.00
Salaries, Teachers	63,717.00	63,900.49	56,399.00
Supervisor, Music	1,050.00	982.00	900.00
Supervisor, Art	650.00	585.00	650.00
Penmanship	650.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	800.00	877.00	1,000.00
Supplies, Student	1,000.00	995.02	1,000.00
Domestic Science	25.00	....	....
Supplies, Janitor	600.00	529.73	500.00
Salaries, Janitor	4,520.00	4,655.82	4,900.00
Sports Officials	75.00	176.00	....
Fuel	3,000.00	2,790.98	3,000.00
Water & Current	1,400.00	1,452.10	1,400.00
Repairs	500.00	899.21	500.00
New Equipment	900.00	696.49	500.00
Physician	300.00	325.00	350.00
Nurse	700.00	700.00	700.00
Tuition, Vocational	600.00	601.08	520.00
Transportation	16,000.00	15,818.96	13,555.00
Transportation, Vocational	1,600.00	1,269.76	360.00
Sundry Education	700.00	1,064.76	700.00
South West Corner Room Remodeling	....	....	500.00
Special Project	1,000.00	935.70	1,000.00
Totals	$102,697.00	$102,643.23	$ 91,488.00

Returned to Town Treasury $53.77

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	Total Expenditures	State aid & other receipts	%	Net costs of Education
1945	$ 41,091.11	$ 10,545.66	26	$ 30,545.45
1946	44,768.61	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02
1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13
1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901,.72

1955	99,898.66	39,553.74	39.6	60,344.92
1956	108,635.00	43,401.70	40	65,233.30
1957	102,697.00	43,506.74	42.4	59,190.26

Net Cost of Schools in 1957

Expenditures		$102,697.00
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 642	$21,947.73	
Vocational Tuition	709.94	
Transportation	15,114.60	
Vocational Transportation	966.63	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	2,547.47	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel	1,223.45	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	775.66	
Town of Erving	176.96	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	44.30	
		$43,506.74
1957 Net Cost of Education		59,190.26
1956 Net Cost of Education		65,233.30
Net Decrease		$ 6,043.04

Due to the fact that the High School was closed in June, the usual per pupil cost comparisons do not have the same basis for comparison and are not included.

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957

Net Worth (Cash Inventory, Claims) January 1, 1957			$2,586.86
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 855.00	
Student Lunches	$10,321.80		
Adult Lunches	645.60		
Milk	396.00		
Government Reimbursement	4,818.29		
Miscellaneous	77.07		
Total Receipts		16,258.76	
Total Cash		$17,113.76	

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	$ 5,655.98		
Milk	4,050.59		
Salaries	4,516.25		
Other	1,828.64		
Total Disbursements		16,051.47	
Cash Balance		$ 1,062.29	
Cash Balance	1,062.29		
Inventory	433.02		
U.S.D.A. Claims (Nov.)	399.94		
(Dec.)	384.52		
Total Assets		$ 2,279.77	
Net Worth, December 31, 1957			$ 2,279.77

Report on School Census

(October 1, 1957)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 5 and 5	100	128	228
Between ages 5 and 7	45	59	104
Between ages 7 and 14	156	168	324
Between ages 14 and 16	43	36	79
Total	344	391	735

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1957

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	18	31	38	21	21	23	16	168
Girls	22	30	26	28	26	25	19	176
Totals	40	61	64	49	47	48	35	344

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls
Center School	168	176
Pioneer Valley Regional School	81	89
Greenfield Vocational	2	0
American School for Deaf	0	1

Bob Jones University	1	0	
Hampden duBase Academy	2	0	
Millers Falls	0	1	
Broadbrook, Conn.	1	1	
Mahar Regional	1	0	
Bement	6	3	
Greenfield High School	0	1	
Mount Hermon School	14	0	
Northfield School for Girls	0	10	
Hebron Academy	1	0	
Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Goodwill Home	1	0	
Thayer High School	1	0	
Total	280	291	
Grand Total			571

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I hereby submit the final annual report of the Principal of Northfield High School.

With the graduation of the Class of 1957, the final chapter in the history of Northfield High School was written. This is a long and noble history of which the citizens of our town and the alumni of our school can be proud. Through its portals, many students have walked and have established their marks in life. Many have followed professions and have made their influence felt throughout our nation. Many have served their country in peace and war while others have assumed positions in industry and in town government and have become fine citizens.

As the citizens of our town at the beginning of the twentieth century took a progressive step in establishing the Northfield High School, so the citizens in the middle of the century are keeping progress with an ever-changing educational and social program by joining a regional grouping of towns in the interests of a better and more complete education for its teenage citizens. Such a step as this is a tribute to the foresight and hard work of our educational leaders and an enlightened citizenry. Their efforts will be praised by our many young future citizens who will profit from their efforts on behalf of a more complete and well-rounded educational program.

Extra-Curricular Program

"The Review," our high school yearbook, won a first place rating in the annual yearbook contest conducted by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. This is the third consecutive year that such a rating has been earned. This year, the highest rating ever obtained by our book was received. This is a tribute to the tireless efforts of Miss Nellie W. Dearstyne, faculty advisor, who did so much to put the publications of Northfield High School on a high level during her twelve years at our school.

In the spring, a very fine musical program was conducted at the town hall under the direction of Mrs. Esther Galbraith, music supervisor, and Mr. Eugene Gancarz, band director. The concert consisted of vocal and instrumental solos, glee club numbers and band numbers. Our own students were joined by the pupils from Powers Institute. Nearly $150 was realized from this effort to be applied toward the band program at the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

In May, our Glee Club and Band attended the Western Massachusetts Music Festival at West Springfield. Both musical groups and the directors received very fine ratings for their efforts. We appreciate the invaluable assistance given by Mrs. George Leonar din providing piano accompaniment for the Glee Club activities.

The senior class enjoyed six days in a whirlwind tour of Washington, D. C., and New York City in its annual educational and recreational trip. As with all previous trips, the students were most enthusiastic and were convinced that it was an event they would remember forever. Although such trips are becoming more and more expensive, the incentive of the trip and its lasting effects on the students are well worth the time and money spent.

The following are some of the special honors won by students during the year:

Good Government Day Representative — Rita Gibson
Boys' State Representative — David Billings
Girls' State Representative — Nancy Oakman

Commencement Program

Baccalaureate Services were conducted at the Christian Advent Church at regular church services on Sunday, June 9, 1957. The address was delivered by the Rev. Everett Moore.

A Class Night program consisting of the Class Will, History, Prophecy, Advice to the Undergraduates and Class Gifts was presented at the town hall on Wednesday evening, June 12, for the entertainment of parents, friends and students.

The final graduation program for Northfield High School was conducted at the town hall on Thursday evening, June 13, at 8 p.m., before a capacity audience. The program was as follows:

Processional — "War March of the Priests"	Mendelssohn
Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem	
Invocation	Rev. Henry F. McKeon
Welcome by Class President	David Amsden
Honor Addresses —	
"Home Influence on Character"	Martha Esther Parsons
"School Influence on Character"	Rita Anne Gibson
Songs — "Now Thank We All Our God"	
"The Green Cathedral"	
"Battle Hymn of the Republic"	
Commencement Address —	
"Won't That Be Cool?"	Rev. Lester P. White Alumni Sec., Mount Hermon School
Announcement of Awards	Principal George M. Leonard
Presentation of Diplomas	Supt. F. Sumner Turner
School Song — "Our Old High"	All students and alumni
Benediction	Rev. Joseph W. Reeves
Recessional — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar

Music under the direction of Mrs. Esther Galbraith

Accompanist — Mrs. Robert Barnes

Class Roll

David Norman Amsden
Fred Anderson Avery
Adriel Carpenter
Priscilla Ann Cram
Charles Fabens Field
Delores Rosalie Fuller
Stanley Henry Gaida, Jr.
Rita Anne Gibson*
Frances Ellen Given
William Crawford Janes
Raymond Francis Kervian, Jr.
George Edmund Joseph Mello
Jessie Ann Mroczek
Martha Esther Parsons
Veronica Eileen Powers
Shirley Mae Raymond
Dorothy Emily Stacey

*Pro Merito Students

The following awards were made at the graduation exercises:

D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	Martha Parsons
Bausch & Lomb Award for excellencce in Science	Rita Gibson
Readers Digest Award (Highest Honor Student)	Rita Gibson
P.T.A. Scholarship	Rita Gibson

Financial

The following is a statement of the Northfield High School Funds for the year 1957:

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL—SCHOOL FUNDS
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1957 — August 31, 1957

	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Class of 1957	$1,030.33	$1,285.45	$2,315.78	$
Class of 1958	39.29	604.41	382.73	260.97
Class of 1959	22.00	37.00		59.00
Class of 1960	10.00			10.00
Press Club	205.22	924.54	1,067.33	62.43
Glee Club	225.13	275.55	18.84	481.84
Student Council	713.76	214.23	701.16	226.83
	$2,245.73	$3,341.18	$4,485.84	$1,101.07

Northfield High School Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1957		$ 68.33	
Income:			
Admissions to games	$216.75		
From Tri-State Small Schools Tournament, Inc.	7.80	224.55	
Total cash			$292.88
Expenses:			
Transportation	$148.64		
Officials	140.00		
Cleaning uniforms	4.24		
			$292.88
Balance on hand August 30, 1957			$ 00.00

All balances have been transferred to similar accounts in the Pioneer Valley Regional School. All uniforms and equipment purchased through student funds were transferred also to the Regional School.

The Final Chapter

Seventeen students graduated from Northfield High School in June. As the year ends, we find three boys have entered the Navy, one girl plans to become a nurse, one girl is taking a secretarial course, nine students have obtained employment, one girl is married, and two girls have enrolled in four-year college programs. Of the seventeen graduates, eight are continuing their education through college, schools, evening courses, training programs, or service connected programs.

May I personally thank all the citizens of Northfield, the hundreds of students, members of the school committees, faculty, nurses, custodians, and the three school superintendents with whom I have worked for the past twenty years, for their fine cooperation. It has been a very pleasant experience. May I solicit your fine cooperation on behalf of the faculty and students at the Pioneer Valley Regional School?

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD,

Principal

Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my eleventh annual report for the Center School.

The opening of the Regional School becoming nearer a reality helped us through the difficulties of the school year completed in June. Thoughts began to be formulated about what we could do with smaller classes, which did not materialize for all, and more space.

In September we were given the use of four classrooms in the old High School building, now more generally known as the Elementary Building. These are now occupied by a large sixth, two fifths, and a fourth grade. Some use was made by music classes and the Audubon group of one end of the large study hall. It was finally cleared in time for the whole school to gather for a Christmas Carol sing, a privilege which has not been possible with our large enrollment of late. We look forward to that room becoming our "auditorium" with a stage and folding chairs enough for all to attend together.

The Primary Building houses our newly-formed kindergarten, two large first grades, two large second grades, two third grades, and the other fourth grade.

Plans are progressing on the use of the entire two buildings as they are released for our purposes.

My duties as supervising principal have covered in part general supervision of daily activities; making of necessary school schedules; daily lunch count; weekly lunch money, photograph sales, and any money collections duly authorized; conferences with parents, teachers, supervisors, pupils, and others associated with our school; participation in pupil learning situations as desired by the teachers; pupil guidance in behavior or troubled situations; supervision of classroom teaching in an attempt at coordination of subject matter and teaching practices in the many grades; and much detail work necessary but too miscellaneous to list.

Northfield is most fortunate in having a staff of experienced teachers at Center School, interested in giving full measure in their chosen profession, and with each pupil's best interest at heart.

Parents are invited to visit at all times at our regular sessions, or to make an appointment for an after-school meeting in the classroom with the teacher. There the records on hand of the pupil's progress through his school life will make worthwhile the parent-teacher discussion.

The cooperation of all who are associated in any way with our Center School has been greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
DOROTHY T. HERRICK,
Principal

Report of The Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent and Citizens of Northfield:

This term being my first introduction to the schools of the Northfield Union, I am more than pleased with the situation as I find it.

The willingness of both children, teachers, and Superintendent leaves little to be desired.

I feel that we have an excellent beginning. Grades I——VI, due to the fine cooperation of their home room teachers, are learning to read accurately, musically and rhythmically. Folk dances are used for rhythmic activity, records for appreciation, rounds and canons for gaining confidence in two and three part songs that are begun in fourth grade and enlarged upon in the fifth and sixth grades.

On December 16th a Christmas program was given in the Center School. Grades I—2, 3—4, 5—6, combined to sing Christmas songs for each other. All groups ended their program by carol singing.

I hope to have a chosen group of children with exceptionally good voices combine to form a small choir, for future programs.

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone concerned, for making my first four months an interesting beginning.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY ECCLES

Music Supervisor

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I began my work as Supervisor of Art for the Northfield Union in September, 1957, and during the four months just passed have visited each class in the primary and elementary schools twice each month. That you may have a clearer picture of what I hope to accomplish, I hereby submit my report.

In my association with the teachers, my aim is to instruct them as follows:

1. Art is a personal creative process, and no two children will produce the same work. Never can a child reproduce the image which is in the mind of the teacher.

2. The art of the child is work created by a child. It is not the work of an adult and therefore should not be judged by adult standards.

3. Copying of any kind is not a creative process. It may have its use as "busy work" (but even of this I'm skeptical), or as a craft. Such work should never have a place in the art curriculum.

In my work with the children, my aim is:

1. To help them to express themselves through art.
2. To show them how they can create naturally out of their own experiences or environment, but not ever to reproduce what they might have seen in a book.

Some teachers have achieved creditable group work in connection with their study units.

May I add that I have found enjoyment and satisfaction in my work with the pupils and teachers with whom it has been my privilege to be associated.

Respectfully submitted,

BESSIE MOORE

Art Supervisor

Report of School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of Northfield:

I herewith submit my annual report as school nurse.

Massachusetts Vision Tests were given, as usual, with twenty failures being reported to parents. To date fifteen of this number has been corrected. Thirteen youngsters failed hearing tests.

One hundred twelve physical examinations were completed by

the school physician with the assistance of the nurse. Dental caries accounted for the majority of defects found.

The dental program was begun in the fall. Each room has its own dental poster which contains the names of pupils who have completed dental work. A few needy children have had work done through courtesy of Kiwanis and another small group is under care of the dental clinic held at the hospital in Greenfield.

Thirty-six children were seen at pre-school clinic in May. Children who will enter kindergarten are included as well as prospective first graders.

All students in grades 1-6 were weighed and measured twice during the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. BILLINGS, R.N.

School Nurse

Report of School Physician

The chief activity of the school physician this year has been examining school children. In June a preschool clinic was held and the majority of the children who were to enter the first grade in September were examined. This year a kindergarten was started for the first time, and special forms were sent out and many of these children were examined by their own family physician before school opened. The remainder were examined at school at the regular fall examinations. The fall examinations were delayed this year by an epidemic of "asiatic flu," but the examinations were completed in November. As has been customary in recent years, pupils in the first and fourth grades were all examined and also the new pupils—of which there were many this year.

The health of the students seemed unusually fine this year—defective teeth being the most common defect found. There has been little contageous disease this year, and only a moderate number of accidents at school.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation		$700.00
Expenditures:		
Labor:		
John Ware	104.50	104.50
Repairs:		
Paul M. Mayberry	46.44	
Weidenmiller-Macgovern Co.	14.50	
Arthur Stacey	110.00	
		170.94
New Equipment:		
Weidenmiller-Macfovern Co.	316.00	316.00
Supplies:		
George Sheldon	4.00	
Melvin Miller	80.00	
Hamilton S. Cregar	18.84	
Spencer Brothers, Inc.	3.84	
		106.68
Total Expenditures		698.12
Balance		1.88

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield School Committee

ROY J. FISH, Chairman

EVELYN U. TRUE, Secretary

IRVING J. LAWRENCE

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

School Committee

Wendell Streeter, Chairman, Bernardston
Albert Stoddard, Jr., Vice-Chairman, Warwick
Irving J. Lawrence, Northfield
William Hawley, Northfield
Robert P. Barnes, Northfield
Ellis Franklin, Bernardston
Mrs. Anna Wilcox, Bernardston
Norman Durkee, Warwick
Mrs. Emily Benoit, Warwick

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield, and Warwick:

The Pioneer Valley Regional School was officially opened for student participation on September 16, 1957. At that time, only the classroom wings and cafeteria were available. However, by December 31, nearly every facility was in operation. The full report of its activities is too lengthy and detailed to ask the several towns to afford space in their town reports to print. This will be mimeographed at little cost at the school, and given to any citizens of the towns who may wish a copy. Included in this report is a listing of the faculty, a few excerpts from the report of the Principal, and the financial report of the Treasurer.

I wish to thank all those people who, over the last ten years, have generously given of their time and energy to make this fine school plant a reality. Each and every one of them should be justly proud of their achievements. I extend to them and their friends a most hearty welcome to visit the school and see for themselves what a wonderful school they have.

The task of making available to all boys and girls of the member towns an education and training that will profit them most has only begun. The maintaining of a high-calibre faculty and a well-administered school still lies before us. I am certain that if the same efforts are extended to this part of the work as was extended to the building of the plant, we will achieve our goal in every respect.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER

Superintendent of Schools

Excerpts from the Report of the Principal

GEORGE M. LEONARD

Pioneer Valley Regional School

"The culmination of nearly ten years of dreaming, planning, meeting, and working has resulted in the opening of the Pioneer Valley Regional School. The end result is a building of which everyone in the towns of the District can take justifiable pride. Every individual who has worked toward the planning and construction of this school has a feeling that through his efforts, no matter how small, a new modern school building capable of carrying out an up-to-date complete school program has been accomplished."

"One of the questions often expressed by parents concerns the problem of the intermixing of the students from the several towns. It is a pleasure to report that this was no problem at all. Our students have become one student body with a strong spirit for the new school. This has been true from the first and has become increasingly stronger during the progress of the school year."

Enrollment and Program

"The enrollment of the various classes is as follows:

Grade 7	79	Grade 10	63
Grade 8	78	Grade 11	38
Grade 9	54	Grade 12	28

Post Graduate 1

Total Enrollment 341

As of December 1, 1957, our students came from the following towns:

Bernardston	111
Northfield	175
Warwick	40
Erving	1
Guilford	1
Leyden	13

The larger enrollment of the new school has eliminated most of the uneconomically small classes as may be seen in the following list of subjects and the students of grades nine through twelve that are enrolled in each:

English 9	54	(23 & 31)
English 10	63	(31 & 32)
English 11	40	(16 & 24)
English 12	28	
General Math.	25	
Algebra I	34	(17 & 17)
Algebra II	16	
World History	23	
U. S. History	38	(12 & 26)
Problems of Democracy	27	
Geometry	26	
Trigonometry and Solid Geometry	12	
General Science	47	(25 & 22)
Biology	46	(22 & 24)
Chemistry	26	
Civics	77	(23, 15, 22, 17)
Shorthand I	8	
Shorthand II	6	
Typing I	63	(15, 18, 17, 13)
Typing II	18	

Latin I	16		Office Practice	9	
Latin II	12		Agriculture	18	
French I	27		Industrial Arts	32	(16 & 16)
French II	12		Homemaking I	20	(12 & 18)
Speech	68	(24, 21, 23)	Homemaking II	4	
Bookkeeping	30		Art	12	
Shorthand I	8				

Allstudents in grades nine through twelve are required to take physical education twice a week. All ninth and tenth grade students are required to take group guidance. Eleventh and twelfth grade students have individual guidance.

All students in grades seven and eight take a fully assigned program of the following subjects:

English	Physical Education
Social Studies	Health
General Science	Spelling
Mathematics	Penmanship
Guidance	Literature
Music	Art

All girls take two periods per week of home making while the boys have two periods of industrial arts."

"In our first adventure into interscholastic competition we had a winner. It was most pleasing and satisfying to have Miss Marianne Smith win the Voice of Democracy contest sponsored by the Greenfield Junior Chamber of Commerce among the high schools of Franklin County.

Our band made a very creditable debut at the Youth Day program at the Franklin County Fair. They received a most gratifying reception from the citizens and students of the county.

A successful magazine sales campaign was conducted in the fall with sales totaling nearly $2,100.00."

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

Name	Subjects	Where Educated
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. Boston University, M. Ed.
Mr. Robert C. Upham	Assistant Principal Social Studies, Guidance, U. S. History, Problems	Plymouth Teachers' College, B. Ed. Columbia Teachers' College, M. A. *Keene Teachers' College
Mrs. Edith Aldrich	English, French, and General Language	University of Massachusetts, B. S.
Mr. John Callahan	Chemistry and General Science	Keene Teachers' College, B. Ed. Boston University, M. Ed.
Mr. Kenneth Cook, Jr.	Mathematics	*Wesleyan University Bates College, A. B. *Andover Newton Theological School
Mr. Roland S. Emery, III	Science, Mathematics and Biology	*Arnold College University of Bridgeport, B.S.
Mr. Eugene Gancarz	Band and Mathematics	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Homemaking	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Miss Evelyn Lawley	Mathematics, Latin, Guidance	Smith College, A.M.
Mr. William Messer	Physical Education and Social Studies	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Mr. Waine Morse	English	Springfield College, B.S.

Mr. Brian L. Overdorff	Agriculture	*American International College University of Massachusetts, B.S. University of Vermont, B.S.
Mr. Duane I. Pierce	Industrial Arts	*Keene Teachers' College Arnold College, B.S. Burdett College Normal School
Miss Eleanor Smiley	PhysicalEducation	*Boston University *Boston College
Mrs. Mary Sullivan	Commercial, English, and Social Studies	University of Massachusetts, B.A. Bates College, A.B. Boston University, M.A.
Mr. John Trumbull	Social Studies	*University of Illinois Indiana University, A.B.
Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager	English, Latin, and Speech	American International College, B.S., M.A. *University of Massachusetts Extension New England Conservatory
Mrs. Janet L. Young	English	*Boston University Summer School Fitchburg Normal School Columbia Teachers' College, B.S., M.A.
Mrs. Ruth Young	Commercial and Mathematics	
Miss Dorothy Eccles	Music Supervisor	
Miss Bessie Moore	Art Supervisor	

SCHOOL NURSE
Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R. N.

CUSTODIANS
Mr. Edward Fortier, Head
Mr. Ning Der

SCHOOL DOCTOR
Dr. Ansel B. True

CAFETERIA WORKERS
Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head
Mrs. Nellie Barber
Mrs. Olive Stone

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957

Balance on hand December 31, 1956			$ 136,879.53

RECEIPTS

Proceeds of $1,000,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing Jan. 10, 1957		
Cost on Oct. 11, 1956	$992,410.00	
Interest received	7,590.00	
		$1,000,000.00
Proceeds of $750,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing Apr. 11, 1957		
Cost on Jan. 10, 1957	$ 743,955.00	
Interest received	6,045.00	
		750,000.00
Proceeds of $500,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing July 11, 1957		
Cost on Apr. 11, 1957	$ 496,025.00	
Interest received	3,975.00	
		500,000.00
Proceeds of $200,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing Aug. 15, 1957		
Cost on May 16, 1957	$ 198,536.00	
Interest received	1,464.00	
		200,000.00
Proceeds of $400,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing Oct. 10, 1957		
Cost on July 11, 1957	$ 396,792.00	
Interest received	3,208.00	
		400,000.00
Assessments received from towns as follows:		
Bernardston	$36,389.28	
Northfield	66,630.99	
Warwick	15,566.46	
		118,586.73
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, reimbursement and aid on construction of Regional School		43,785.66
Return premium on Owners Public Liability insurance		37.55
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, distribution of U. S. Grant of George Barden Funds for:		
Salary of Agricultural instructor	$2,200.00	
To apply toward travel of instructor	200.00	
		2,400.00

Interest on deposits in savings banks	2,354.32	
School lunch collections	4,920.42	
Athletic Fund receipts	336.10	
Total receipts		3,022,420.78
		$3,159,300.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Redemption of $5,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.20% School Bonds dated May 1, 1955 and due May 1, 1957		$ 5,000.00
Redemption of $70,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.75% School bonds dated July 1, 1956 and due July 1, 1957		70,000.00
Interest on Pioneer Valley Regional School District bonds as follows:		
due May 1, 1957 on $85,000	$ 935.00	
due Nov. 1, 1957 on $80.000	880.00	
due Jan. 1, 1957 on $1,350,000	18,562.50	
due July 1, 1957 on $1,350,000	18,562.50	
		38,940.00
Purchase of U. S. Treasury Bills as folows:		
$750 000 due April 11, 1957 @ 99.194	$743.955.00	
500,000 due July 11, 1957 @ 99.205	496,025.00	
200,000 due Aug. 15, 1957 @ 99.268	198.536.00	
400,000 due Oct. 10, 1957 @ 99.198	396,792.00	
150,000 due Jan. 9, 1958 @ 99.109	148,663.50	
		1,983,971.50
Salary and travel expenses of vocational agriculture teacher		2,318.56
Cafeteria salaries and supplies		4,099.67
Operating Budget:		
General Control	3,303.53	
Expenses of Instruction	26,940.92	
Student Supplies	5,564.70	
Textbooks	2,429.37	
Operation of School Plant	10,353.13	
Maintenance of School Plant	36.31	
Auxiliary Agencies	4,109.31	
Transportation	8,589.66	
		61,326.93
School Construction Account:		
Construction	$818,986.13	
Fees	15,681.64	
Equipment	70,612.89	
Advertising	3.74	
	905,284.40	
Less credit of insurance premiums	285.62	
		904,998.78
Total disbursements		3,070,655.44

Balance on hand as follows:		
Cash in checking accounts	17,058.34	
Reserve for maturing debt (savings deposits)	71,586.53	
		88,644.87
		$3,159,300.31

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD A. KING, Treasurer

The Following Budgets Have Been Adopted by the Committee:

Capital Budget

Maturing Debt May 1958		$ 5,000.00
Maturing Debt July 1958		70,000.00
Interest $80,000 May	$ 880.00	
Interest $75,000 Nov.	825.00	
Interest 1,280,000 Jan.	17,600.00	
Interest 1,280,000 July	17,600.00	
		36,905.00
Purchase of Equipment		
Stage furnishing		
Additional Science Laboratory Equipment		
Additional Voc. Agri.		
Library Furniture		
Nurse's Room		
Visual Aids		
Musical Instruments (Band)		32,253.03
Total Capital Budget		$144,158.03

Against this amount we are applying:			
State Aid Building Reimbursement		$43,785.66	
Premium on loan to apply against maturing debt of $70,000.00		4,684.50	
From unexpended Funds			
Against maturing debt	8,361.11		
For Equipment purchase	32,253.03		
		40,614.14	
			89,084.30
From Northfield, Bernardston, and Warwick			55,073.73
			$144,158.03

		Total Cost to Town	Less 15% Add. Rec'd dir. by Town	Actual Net Cost to Town
Bernardston	30.8%	$16,962.71	$ 2,220.16	$14,742.55
Northfield	57.7%	31,777.54	3,058.37	28,719.17
Warwick	11.5%	6,333.48	1,173.57	5,159.91
		$55,073.73	$ 6,452.10	$48,621.63

Operating Budget

General Control	7,100.00	
Instruction	89,614.00	
Students' Supplies	4,500.00	
Textbooks	3,000.00	
Operation School Plant	32,500.00	
Maintenance	500.00	
Auxiliary Agencies	10,250.00	
Transportation	30,000.00	
		$ 177,464.00
Less following credits:		
Estimated reimbursement from Commonwealth wealth of Massachusetts for transportation	20,000.00	
Tuition fees	1,656.68	
George Barden Fund (Aggie)	2,200.00	
		23,856.68
Net Operating Budget		$ 153,607.32

Shares:

Bernardston $52,549.87, **Northfield** $82,034.87 **Warwick** $19,022.58

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Northfield Water Company

Northfield, Mass.

Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended December 31, 1957

Water Rents	$4,001.17	
Interest Income	88.32	
		$4,089.49
Operating Expenses		
Operating Expenses	1,218.88	
State Taxes	70.48	
Town Taxes	714.24	
Federal Income Taxes	276.56	
Depreciation	500.92	
Interest Expense	28.35	
General Expense	634.77	
		3,444.20
Balance to Surplus		$ 645.29

Northfield Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday the third day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year;

Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, one member of the Planning Board for five years, and one member of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee for three years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 4, 1958, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended or act thereon.

The Finance Committee Recommends

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	325	75
Third Member	325	75
Assessors:		
First Member	$300	
Second Member	300	
Third Member	300	
Town Moderator		$ 25
Treasurer		900
Tax Collector		750
Town Clerk		500
School Committee:		
Chairman		$100
Second Member		100
Third Member		100

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1200
Selectmen's Expence a/c	350
Assessors' Salary	900
Assessors' Expense a/c	300
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
School Committee Salary	300
Highway Supt. Expense a/c	125
Finance Committee Exp. a/c	25
Planning Board Expense	50
Fence Viewers Expense	25
Field Drivers Expense	25
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80
Town Moderator's Salary	25
Moderator's Expense a/c	15
Aid to Dep. Children	6000
General Relief	5000
Disability Assistance	3000
Public Welfare Adm.	3000
Soldiers' Relief	3000
Mach. Maint. a/c (Trans. from Road Mach. Fund)	6700
Elections & Registrations	1200
Fire & Casualty Inc.	5600
Interest Acct.	300
Legal Expense	250
Town Accountant's Sal.	$ 950
Town Acct. Exp. a/c	$ 75
Sealer Wghts & Meas. Salary	150
Sealer's Expense a/c	40
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer & Expense	175
Insp. Meat & Slaughtering	50
Schools	91,388
Fire Dept	2,500
Maintenance Water Holes	400
P. V. Regional School Operating Budget	82,034.87
Capital Budget	31,777.54
Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3,000.
Interest	1,188.
Old Age Assistance	40,000
Alexander Hall	250
Damages	600
Town Clock & Fountain	125
Town Reports	1800
Snow Removal	7000
Public Safety	50
Protection Tax Title Prop.	25
Public Health	1300
Highway Bounds, Surveys & Plans	250
Wire Insp. & expense	50
Town Hall Care	6000

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $700 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

The Finance Committee recommends $700.00

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4950.00 and to transfer $18,150.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $3000.00 and to transfer $14,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $1500.00 and to transfer $3000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for bridges, railings and highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $3500.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs and new construction of sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1000.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for salaries of Northfield members of the

Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $300.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to trade the Town Accountant's adding machine, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $350.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $5950.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5950.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6610.00 for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $6610.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement.

Article 19. To hear the report of the Summer Playground Program Committee and act thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of $500.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 21. To hear the report of the Revaluation Equalization Committee and act thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10.000.00 to be expended by the Board of Assessors for a contract with a competent appraisal company to make a revaluation of all Real Estate in the Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 to be expended by the Board of Assessors to start an equalization of real estate program in the Town or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee rcommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1000.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $775.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the preservation and care of shade trees, under the direction of the Tree Warden, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $800.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Tree Warden for planting shade trees on the Public Ways to replace those lost by disease or other causes, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to combat Dutch Elm disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1800.00

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the control and supression of other public nuisances, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1000.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of the Public Health Nurse and substitute Nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2800.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's Expense Account or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $75.00

Article 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $300.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company for fire protection or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to study the advisability of purchasing the Northfield Water Company, and preparing a tentative plan to purchase and operate the same, or act thereon.

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 36. To hear the report of the committee investigating Group Life and Accident Insurance for Town Employees.

Article 37. Shall Chapter 32 of the General Laws, authorizing any County, City, Town or District to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such County, City, Town or District and their dependents, be accepted by this Town?

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for group life and accident insurance for Town Employees as permitted by the foregoing article, or act thereon.

The Financce Committee recommends no action

Article 39. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $275.00

Article 40. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2000.00

Article 41. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constable's Pay and Expense, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $750.00

Article 42. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for necessary repairs to discontinued School Buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 43. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Town's share and borrow a sum of money to meet the State and County share of the expense for repairing and painting Schell Memorial Bridge as recommended by the Department of Public Works, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4000.00 and to borrow the sum of $11,000.00

Article 45. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $300.00

Article 46. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 41, Section 97 of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of a Police Chief, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 47. To see if the Town will authorize the Finance Committee to make a study of the salaries of the Town Officers, to recommend changes where necessary, and to report at the next annual Town Meeting.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept that Building By-Law as proposed by the Planning Board, or act thereon.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue posting warrants on Gulf Road at the corner of Orange Road, or act thereon.

Article 50. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from Overlay Reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $3000.00

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the

treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1958 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $30,000.00

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, on the bulletin board on Gulf Road at corner of Orange Road, and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 12th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight

WALLACE E. STANGE
STANLEY WICKEY
ROBERT P. BARNES

Selectmen of Northfield

FACTS ABOUT NORTHFIELD

Incorporated	1723
Population	2,239 (1955)
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate, 1957	$96.00
Number of Dwellings	740 (1957)
Real Estate Valuation	$1,949,262
Personal Property	$226,405
Public Schools	Elementary School
	Pioneer Valley Regional School
Private Schools	The Northfield School for Girls
Fire Protection	Three Fire Engines Phone 521
Town Highways	67 Miles
Public Libraries	Dickinson Memorial
	Field Library at Northfield Farms
Altitude	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads	Boston & Maine
	Central Vermont
Water Supply	East Northfield Water Co.
	Northfield Water Co.
	Dry Swamp Aqueduct Co.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall — John B. Kennedy

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

John W. Heselton

GOVERNOR

Foster Furcolo

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Robert Murphy

COUNCILLOR

Ray Sullivan

STATE SENATOR

Ralph Mahar

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Philip F. Whitmore

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Carlos Allen, Chairman

Frank Reed — Harry Koch

Fred J. Batton
South Vernon

TOWN REPORT 1958

NORTHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

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NORTHFIELD'S FERRIES

There were several ferries across the Connecticut River before bridges were built there. Pictured on the front cover is the ferry slightly south of the present Bennett Meadow Bridge.

Northfield's first ferry was called Prindle Ferry. Started in 1686, *it ran from Moose Plain to the east side of the Connecticut just north of Mill Brook and near the present railroad bridge. In* 1810 *it was voted to build a bridge and in* 1849 *a wooden two decker bridge was built near the site of this present railroad bridge.*

Bennett Meadow on the west side of the Connecticut was named for James Bennett, an early explorer and settler of 1675. *The ferry at that location was the second one for Northfield. In* 1718 *the town owned a canoe and a boat or scow used to transport teams across the river to Bennett Meadow and bring home crops needed for fall and early winter. The bulk of the hay was left in stacks until there was sufficient ice to hold a team while crossing. In* 1763 *the town voted to build a house and a boat, and employ some person to keep the ferry at Bennett Meadow.*

In 1781 *it was known as Moffat's Ferry since John Moffat was employed there. It became known as Holton's Horse Boat Ferry in* 1810, *and eventually was run by George Robert Stebbins and Vernon Stebbins; at that time it was probably called Stebbins Ferry. Later a La Compte or La Comp was the ferry man until* 1896 *when Charles A. Parker took over until the Bennett Meadow Bridge was built. We understand the ferry was closed about* 1900, *although the dates vary from* 1899 *to* 1904. *Rates were generally* 10 *cents for a vehicle and* 2 *cents for foot passenger.*

The house in background is the present residence of George L. Payne. When approaching the ferry on the west side of the river, one had to go to this house to pay the toll and get the owner to take them over. From the east side, they rang a bell to alert the tender that they were waiting.

A cable ran through a roller and hitch to keep the ferry from going down stream and the operator used the current and a hand rope to maneuver the craft across.

An account of a circus coming to town was quite an event, and a large one once crossed here. As it was a very hot day several elephants got into the river and the whole day was wasted trying to get them out.

Any other information on these ferries would be appreciated by the Northfield Historical Society who contributed the picture and this information.

To the Voters of the Town of Northfield:

The American Legion wishes to express its thanks for the funds provided us by the Town to purchase suitable grave markers for the Town Cemeteries. Twenty-seven markers have been purchased with the funds allotted and these will be put in place before next Memorial Day.

Town Officers

Moderator

Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk

Horace F. Field

Town Treasurer

Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

Robert P. Barnes, Chmn.	Term expires March 1960
Stanley Wickey	Term expires March 1959
Corys M. Heselton	Term expires March 1961

Assessors

Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term expires March 1959
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term expires March 1960
Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1961

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term expires March 1959

School Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires March 1959
Roy J. Fish, Chmn.	Term expires March 1960
Evelyn U. True	Term expires March 1961

Library Trustees

Louise M. Reeves	Term expires March 1959
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1959
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1960
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term expires March 1960
Jean P. Hatheway	Term expires March 1961
William H. Hawley	Appointment expires March 1961

Cemetery Commissioners

David G. Quinn	Term expires March 1959
Murray M. Hammond	Term expires March 1960
Owen Stacey	Term expires March 1961

Tree Warden

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1959

Constable

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term expires March 1959
Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1959
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1959
Murray M. Hammond—Farms Resident	Term expires March 1959

Planning Board

L. Percy Goodspeed	Term expires March 1959
Harvey H. Hathaway	Term expires March 1960
A. Gordon Moody	Term expires March 1961
F. Wilton Dean	Term expires March 1962
Agnes Hammond	Term expires March 1963

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires March 1959
William H. Hawley	Appointment expires March 1961
Robert P. Barnes	Term expires March 1960

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns	Term expires July 1961

Chief of Fire Department

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	Term expires 1959

Forest Fire Warden

Howard E. Williams	Term expires 1959

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1958

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	Philip Mann, Jr.
Harold D. Williams	Roger Holton

Superintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller	Term expires April 1959

Gypsy Moth Agent

Joseph S. Bilmon	Term expires 1959

Public Weighers for 1958

F. Myron Dunnell	Fred B. Kelly
George O. Dunnell	Frank F. Kelley
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	Clarence Spaulding
Leon H. Dunnell	Roy A. Barrows
Roland Merbitt	Rubert L. Huber
Wesley Manning	Joseph Zaturka
Edward Burniske	James O'Sullivan

Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering for 1958

Leonard W. Barnes

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1958

Warren A. Randall

Animal Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term expires April 1959

Fence Viewers for 1958

Eugene F. Hammond
Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1958

James E. Dresser
Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1958

William C. Walker, Jr.
Robert L. Gibson

Dog Officer for 1958

Robert L. Gibson

Pound Keeper for 1958

Robert L. Gibson

Registrars of Voters

Laurence M. Hammond, Chmn.	Term expires 1959
Edward F. Hurley	Term expires 1960
Charles D. Streeter	Term expires 1961

Horace F. Field—Clerk

Finance Committee

Charles W. Llewelyn, Chmn.	Term expires March 1959
Roger M. Greenwood	Appointment expires March 1959
Harry A. Erickson	Term expires March 1960
Herbert H. Maynard	Term expires March 1960
Donald T. Snow	Term expires March 1961
Wallace E. Stange	Term expires March 1961

Forest Wardens for 1958

Joseph S. Bilmon

Election Officers for 1958

James R. Dale
Helen Greene
Flora C. Abbey
Edna Bistrek
Helen M. Stearns
Harrison Stacy
Murray M. Hammond
Edward M. Powell, Jr.

Substitute Election Officers for 1958

Minnie Skinner
Mary L. Holton
Genevieve A. Eastman
Dorothy M. Arsenault

Selectmen's Report

The Board of Selectmen herewith submit their report for the year of 1958.

In the Town Hall some floors were refinished and varnished, considerable interior painting was done. A new fluorescent light and storm windows installed in the Nurses room. New rates have been established for the use of the hall as follows: Main hall, $15.00; Dining room, $5.00; Kitchen, $3.00; Dining hall for auctions, $10.00.

The Selectmen have sold to Mr. Vincent Sullivan of Littleton, Massachusetts, the Great Hill Pasture, Field, Merrian and Savage lots on the Four Mile Brook Road, for the sum of $1025.00.

An order for a G.M.C. four-wheel drive truck was given to Renfrew's G.M.C. Inc.

All steel repairs on Schell bridge have been completed, painting and deck repairs will resume in the spring.

Chapter 90 work included relocating a section of Mt. Hermon Station Road to eliminiate a dangerous condition brought about by the increase of traffic due to the new school and asphalt plant. Onset of winter halted completion and work will continue as soon as weather permits. Gulf Road included sealing and placement of approximately 300 feet of Flex Beam railing.

Chapter 81 included permanent surfacing a section of Northfield Farms Road, and in West Northfield, one half mile of Caldwell Road was surfaced after citizens in that area offered, without cost to the Town, men and heavy equipment to do all necessary preliminary work prior to surfacing.

An accounting of Chapter 81 expenditures follows:

1958 Chapter 81 Expenditures in the Town of Northfield

1.	Warwick Avenue	$ 16.00	9.	East Northfield Br. Road	0.00
2.	Warwick Road	32.00	10.	East Northfield Road	90.00
3.	Commonwealth Avenue	62.00	11.	Pine Street	36.00
4.	Gulf or Erving Road	1,327.01	12.	Winchester Road	62.40
5.	Murdock Hill Road	0.00	13.	Pearson Road	16.00
6.	Swamp Road	208.25	14.	Wanamaker Road	0.00
7.	Orange Road	644.22	15.	Ashuelot Road	0.00
8.	Mt. Hermon Station Road	354.80	16.	Moody Street	339.75
			17.	Birnam Road	1,110.86

18.	Holton Street	81.60
19.	Highland Ave.	79.75
20.	Caldwell Road	2,134.87
21.	River Road	318.04
22.	Randall Road	82.80
23.	Vernon Road	911.93
24.	Parker Street	162.00
25.	Great Meadow Road	74.80
26.	Meadow Street	731.79
27.	Bridge Street	376.70
28.	Mill Street	0.00
29.	School Street	563.45
30.	St. Mary Street	0.00
31.	Alexander Hill or Ober Mt. Rd.	945.67
32.	Pratt Meadow Rd.	24.80
33.	Maple Street	554.45
34.	Beers Plain Road	32.00
35.	New Road	639.17
36.	Old Wendell Road	421.20
37.	Lyman Road	144.40
38.	Lucky Clapp Rd.	96.40
39.	So. Mountain Road	1,377.60
40.	Fisher Road	89.20
41.	Four Mile Brook Rd.	391.20
42.	Gill Road	0.00
43.	Pine Meadow Rd.	2,096.47
44.	Branch Rds. (2)	494.85
45.	New State Highway	0.00
46.	Cross Road	32.00
47.	East Street	1,154.00
48.	Northfield Farm Rd.	2,416.13
49.	Sturbridge Rd.	0.00
50.	Dickinson St.	0.00
51.	Bennett Brook Rd.	0.00
52.	Glenwood Ave.	0.00
53.	Munn's Ferry Rd.	53.60
54.	Myrtle Street	336.35
55.	North Lane	186.40
56.	Aldrich Street	303.69
57.	Howard Street	235.35
58.	Prospect Hill Rd.	333.05
59.	Slate Road	42.00
60.	Jewett Road	0.00
61.	Gerrish Road	0.00
62.	South Mt. Br. Road	214.70
63.	Linden Ave.	0.00
64.	Adams Rd.	0.00
65.	Holly Ave.	31.20
66.	Woodruff Rd.	483.01
67.	Old Ferry Rd.	33.60
68.	Highland Circuit	120.40
	Total	$23,099.91

ALLOTMENTS:

State	$18,150.00
Town	4.950.00
Total	$23,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. BARNES
STANLEY WICKEY
CORYS M. HESELTON

Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1958

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
January 1958		
3	Smith, Deborah Yvonne	Warner H. and Jacqueline A.
15	Whitney, John Carroll	Richard C. and Joanne C.
29	Bourbeau, Alan Joseph	John L. and Edna S.
February		
12	Bassett, Lynn Marie	Roger E. and Donna L.
18	Leavis, Kimberly Gay	Gordon W. and Linda J.
23	Howe, Alan Paul	Julius P. and Mary E.
27	Fergie, Jo-Ann	John A. and Margaret E.
March		
16	Tillson, Constance Anita	Raymond A. and Madgemarie M.
16	Barnes, Ronald Lee	Leonard W. and Mavis H.
17	Guerrin, Dennis James	George H. and Margaret A.
21	Edson, Barbara Ann	Alden F. and Lucy S.
31	Hanson, Alexandra Laing	Robert E. and Janet S.
May		
10	Williams, Laurence Richard	Earl R. and Edith E.
14	LaChance, Michael Gene	Donald E. and Veronica A.
23	Mankowsky, Julie	Joseph M. and Louise E.
June		
2	Winship, Bradley Mark	Ronald W. and Joan A.
4	Huber, Barbara Jean	Donald G. and Barbara M.
8	Johnson, David Sidney	Arthur S. and Ruth A.
11	Jacobs, Colleen Joy	Arthur F. and Thelma C.

12—Koonz, Dennis William	Louis W. and Virginia M.
16 -Boutwell, Roger Wayne	Willard R. and Marianne E.
17—Burnor, Vernon George	Raymond F. and Patricia E.
21—Seymour, Mark Anderson	William A. and Lucille
23—Pratt, Brenda Jean	Loren E. and Eleanor J.
27—Hilliker, Brent Kleon	William H. and Barbara A.
30—Brassor, Barbara	Edmond W. and Barbara R.

July

21—Black, Donald Ray	John H. and Sacca L.
28—Stratton, Pamela Jean	Frank C. and Hazel E.
28—Stearns, Laurence Dwight	Dwight P. and Norma A.

August

23—Hammond, Laura Jean	John S. and Eleanor A.
27—Ryan, Barbara Jean	James P. and Ruth E.
30—Kozlowski, Christine Alice	Alexander and Jean E.
31—Ripley, Melanie Ann	Robert M. and Jessie M.

September

9—Abbott, Valeria Jean	Francis W. and Irene R.
10—Johnson, Lyne Susan	Stanley E. and Muriel V.
23—Johnson, Carol Marie	Charles H. and Dorena M.
29—Paine, Malorie Ann	Raymond E. and Celia M.

October

1—Bassett, Edmund Charles	Richard H. and Marion E.
13—Turner, Beth Louise	Frank S. and Jessie A.
16—Given, Stephen Peter	Sidney H. and Phyllis E.
23—Livingstone, Colleen Marie	Robert D. and Dorothy L.
29—Davis, Ruth	Clifford F. and Mary A.
26—Collis, Arthur Francis	Raymond H. and Edith M.

November

9—Deane, Maralee Hope	Roland E. and Eleanor M.
14—Call, Sharon Marie	Howard B. and Theresa E.
18—Smith, Stephen Edwin	Ivan L. and Hazel L.
21—Williams, Howard James	Howard E. and Edith L.
25—Holbrook, Deborah	Richard L. and Marian B.

December

2—Rockwell, Denise Alice	Frank J. and Theresa A.
11—Babbitt, Keith Paul	Elwood D. and Emily S.
26—Overdorff, Debra Jean	Brian L. and Jean R.

Marriages Recorded in 1958

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
January			
9	Carrier, Russell Lee Sumner, Margret Lettie	Wilmington, Vt. Wilmington, Vt.	Northfield
13	Pease, John Whitman Williams, Betty Louise	Conway, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.	Northfield
February			
14	Mackin, Peter Cosgrove Dooley, Helen Louise	Montague, Mass. Dorchester, Mass.	Northfield
April			
26	Makowski, Edward Leonard Sliwa, Joyce Alice	South Deerfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
27	Turner, Frank Sumner Jr. Mroczek, Jessie Ann	Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
May			
3	Gorzocoski, Paul Thomas Fregeau, Eileen Una	Northfield, Mass. Chicopee, Mass.	Chicopee
9	Nimchick, Donald G. Stacey, Dorothy E.	Holyoke, Mass. Holyoke, Mass.	Northfield
June			
5	Murley, Philip Arthur Kenney, Shirley Mae	Greenfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
19	Holloway, Marvin William St. Peter, Arline Fay	Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.	Northfield
21	Wells, David Baguley Cook, Joan Mary	Northfield, Mass. Manchester, Mass.	Beverly Farms
July			
5	Kozma, Istvan Bassett, Marita Olive	Turners Falls, Mass. Northfield, Mass.	Turners Fls.
10	Turner, Gordon Hugh Wheeler, Alice Madeline (Davis)	South Newfane, Vt. South Newfane, Vt.	Northfield
August			
24	Flanders, Roger Morton Carpenter, Helen (Karanovic)	Palo Alto, Calif. Palo Alto, Calif.	Northfield
16	Porter, Norman Alvin McGahan, Myrna Mary	Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.	Northfield
29	Lang, Charles Oliver Fisher, Jean Barbara	Winchester, N. H. Northfield, Mass.	Northfield

September		
26—MacKenzie, Robert MacCosh	Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield
Newton, Ellen	Northfield, Mass.	
November		
1—Reddy, Wallace Frederick Jr.	Greenfield, Mass.	Northfield
Horton, Stephanie Anne	Northfield, Mass.	
10—Saczawa, Edward James	Northfield, Mass.	Ashuelot, N. H.
Dubriske, Rose Marie	Ashuelot, N. H.	
29—Fisher, Robert Allen	Northfield, Mass.	Stowe
Herrick, Joan Gratia	Stowe, Mass.	
December		
5—Poirier, Victor Joseph Jr.	Greenfield, Mass.	Northfield
Durant, Geraldine Mae	Northfield, Mass.	
13—Brice, John T.	Northfield, Mass.	Guilford, Vt.
Bacon, Patricia A.	Brattleboro, Vt.	

Deaths Recorded in 1958

Date	*Name*	*Age - Years*	*Months*	*Days*
January				
4	Blackall, Margaret Cecilia	88	0	7
14	Cook, Mary Esther (Elmer)	88	3	0
17	Freeman, Anna Bingham	95	5	24
31	Billings, Ruth Osgood	72	5	9
February				
10	Croteau, Margaret Dube	82	4	26
11	Durant, Hazel	54	10	9
14	Whitaker, Zelpha Jardine	80	6	26
17	Kiewski, Alexander Joseph	68	10	29
March				
5	Farrar, William E.	81	4	19
12	Parker, Thomas Hale	71	6	1
13	Higby, Alice Karlen	90	8	13
18	Chevalier, Amanda M.	75	10	2
26	McEwan, George	67	3	3
27	White, Herbert Earl	94	0	6
April				
3	Malbon, Caroline F. (Bruller)	79	10	2
6	Kingsbury, Nettie R.	89	7	14
8	Gage, Arthur Clarence	86	4	14
28	Kelley, Mabel Elizabeth	66	11	2

May			
12—Davis, Lena Stebbins	73	10	21
17—Taylor, Jennie W.	82	4	0
24—Ballantyne, Katherine	58	5	8
26—Fisher, Walter Clark	68	8	13
June			
8—Fritz, Anne A.	85	11	27
13—Holton, Daisy Regina	80	3	2
July			
18—Boulais, Wilfred M.	75	9	14
30—Arms, Gilbert Jarvis	81	2	28
August			
17—Farr, Mildred Thomas	78	3	10
25—Roberts, Rose Lena	91	0	3
September			
25—Thompson, Lena Reed	92	9	24
26—Williams, Frank Wallace	83	7	9
October			
10—Mattern, Clyde W.	61	0	18
11—Jack, Harvey Close	54	7	21
19—Howe, Florence Isabelle	39	7	26
23—Sawyer, Ada E. (Hardy)	88	7	18
November			
11—Irish, Albert Henry	90	6	4
18—O'Brien, Johanna	97	4	18
December			
8—Steiner, Leon	90	9	6
12—Starratt, Alida Zappey	86	1	6
20—Tuttle, Percy Lester	79	10	4
21—Esty, Thomas Cushing	88	0	13
28—Johnson, Maverette Ellen	100	2	5

Dogs Licensed in 1958

Male Dogs	155
Female	17
Female (Spayed)	101
Special Kennel, ($10)	9
Special Kennel, ($25)	2
	284

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1958

Resident Fishing	96
Resident Hunting	125
Resident Sporting	98
Resident Minor Fishing	42
Resident Women's Fishing	43
Special Non-Resident Fishing	12
Non-Resident Fishing	12
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	2
Resident Alien Fishing	0
Resident Trapping (Minor)	1
Resident Trapping	1
Non-Resident Hunting	9
Non-Resident Sporting	1
Resident Sporting (Free)	39
Duplicate	2
Old Age Fishing	1
	484

Other Licenses and Permits Issued in 1958

Alcohol (Methyl)	2
Auctioneer	1
Auctioneer (Temporary)	2
Common Victualer	5
Gasoline	16
Innkeeper	2
Junk	1
Milk	6
Oleomargarine	3
	38

Copy of the votes taken at the Annual Election held in Northfield, Mass., March 4, 1958

The polls were opened at ten o'clock, and were closed at eight o'clock P.M., and it was determined that 226 votes had been cast, 109 by women and 117 by men.

The results were as follows:

Town Clerk, 1 year		
Horace F. Field	Two Hundred twenty	220
Blanks	Six	6
Town Treasurer, 1 year		
Charles F. Slate	Two Hundred twenty-two	222
Blanks	Four	4

Selectman, 3 years		
Corys M. Heselton	Two Hundred fourteen	214
Wallace Stange	One	1
James R. Dale	One	1
Blanks	Ten	10
Assessor, 3 years		
Lee H. Sheldon	Two Hundred sixteen	216
Blanks	Ten	10
Moderator, 1 year		
Edgar J. Livingston	Two Hundred six	206
Blanks	Twenty	20
School Committee, 3 years		
Evelyn U. True	Two Hundred five	205
Virginia Callaghan	One	1
Blanks	Twenty	20
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years		
Owen Stacey	Two Hundred nine	209
Blanks	Seventeen	17
Library Trustees, 3 years		
Jean P. Hathaway	Two Hundred three	203
William H. Hawley	Two Hundred eight	208
Blanks	Forty-one	41
Tree Warden, 1 year		
Joseph Bilmon	Two Hundred nineteen	219
Blanks	Seven	7
Tax Collector, 1 year		
Roy J. Fish	Two Hundred eight	208
Blanks	Eighteen	18
Constables, 1 year		
Paul E. Chamberlin	Two Hundred sixteen	216
Joseph G. Morgan	Two Hundred ten	210
Niles E. Stone	Two Hundred fourteen	214
Blanks	Thirty-eight	38
Constable, resident Northfield Farms		
Murray M. Hammond	Two Hundred eight	208
Blanks	Eighteen	18
Planning Board, 5 years		
Agnes F. Hammond	Two Hundred seven	207
Blanks	Nineteen	19
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 2 years		
William H. Hawley	Two Hundred ten	210
Blanks	Sixteen	16

After the announcement of the reesults, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, March 4th, 1958 at 7 o'clock in accordance with the foregoing Warrant.

Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken March 4, 1958 on the articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:			Town Moderator	25
Chairman of Board	$325	$75	Treasurer	900
Second Member	325	75	Tax Collector	750
Third Member	325	75	Town Clerk	500
Assessors:			School Committee:	
First Member	300		Chairman	100
Second Member	300		Second Member	100
Third Member	300		Third Member	100

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate such sum of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,200	Town Clerk's Salary	500
Selectmen's Expense a/c	350	Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80
Assessors' Salary	900	Town Moderator's Salary	25
Assessors' Expense a/c	300	Moderator's Expense a/c	15
Treasurer's Salary	900	Aid to Dep. Children	5000
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400	General Relief	5000
Tax Collector's Salary	750	Disability Assistance	3000
School Committee Salary	300	Public Welfare Adm.	3000
Highway Supt. Expense a/c	125	Soldiers' Relief	3000
Finance Committee Exp. a/c	25	Mach. Maint. a/c (Trans. from Road Mach Fund)	6700
Planning Board Expense	50	Elections and Registrations	1200
Fence Viewers Expense	25	Fire & Casualty Inc.	5600
Field Drivers Expense	25	Interest Acct.	300

Legal Expense	250	Maturing Debt	3000
Town Acct. Exp. a/c	75	Interest	1188
Town Accountant's Salary	950	Old Age Assistance	40,000
Sealer Wgts. & Meas. Salary	150	Alexander Hall	250
Sealer's Expense a/c	40	Damages	300
Inspection of Animals	175	Town Clock & Fountain	125
Dog Officer & Expense	175	Town Reports	1800
Insp. Meat & Slaughtering	50	Snow Removal	9000
Schools	91,388	Public Safety	50
Fire Dept.	2500	Protection Tax Title Prop.	25
Maintenance Water Holes	400	Public Health	1300
P. V. Regional School		Highway Bonds, Surveys	
Operating Budget	82,034.87	and Plans	250
Capital Budget	31,177.54	Wire Insp. & Expense	50
Fire Station Bonds		Town Hall care	6000

Article 6. Voted: That the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the board, and that the salary be $700 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 7. Voted: That the town authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 highway repairs and improvements, and the sum of $18,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway construction, and to meet said appropriation that the sum of $2,000.00 be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956, and in addition that the sum of $12,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State and County to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway maintenance, and in addition the sum of $3,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State and the County to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Article 10. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $3,500.00 for bridges, railings and highway work.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate $100.00 for tools for highway work.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and approproate $1,000.00 for repairs and new construction of sidewalks.

Article 13. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for salaries of the Northfield members of the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee—$100.00 to each member.

Article 14. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $350.00 to trade the Town Accountant's adding machine.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 16. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,950.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax.

Article 17. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $6,610.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 18. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $400.00 for the care of the playground and athletic field—$200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee.

Article 19. Voted: That the Town receive the report of the Summer Playground Program Committee and that the Committee be discharged. Report filed herewith.

Article 20. Voted: By a show of hands—85 yes, 50 no—that the town raise and appropriate $500.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield, and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same.

Article 21. Voted: To accept the report of the Revaluation Equalization Committee, and that the Committee be continued.

Article 22. Voted and passed over.

Article 23. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to be expended by the Board of Assessors to start an equalization of real estate program in the Town.

Article 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate $1,000.00 for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage.

Article 25. Voted: To raise and appropriate $775.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment.

Article 26. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $800.00 for the preservation and care of shade trees, under the direction of the Tree Warden.

Article 27. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $200.00 for planting shade trees on the Public Ways, to replace those lost by disease or other causes.

Article 28. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,800. to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 29. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,000 for the control and suppression of other public nuisances.

Article 30. Voted: To raise and appropriate $2,800.00 for the salary of the Public Health Nurse and substitute nurse.

Article 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's Expense Account.

Article 32. Voted: To raise and appropriate $300.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 33. Voted: To raise and appropriate $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants, to be paid to the Northfield Water Company for fire protection.

Article 34. Voted: That the Town authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to study the advisability of purchasing the Northfield Water Company, and preparing a tentative plan to purchase and operate the same.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 36. Voted: To accept the report of the Committee investigating Group Life and Accident Insurance for Town Employees. Report filed herewith.

Article 37. Voted and passed over.

Article 38. Voted and passed over.

Article 30. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 40. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $2,000 for the care and preservation of Cemeteries.

Article 41. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $750.00 for Constables' pay and expense.

Article 42. Voted: To raise and appropriate $100.00 for necessary repairs to discontinued School Buildings.

Article 43. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $150.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee.

Article 44. Voted: By a recorded vote of 107 Yes and 6 No, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of repairing and painting Schell Memorial Bridge as recommended by the Department of Public Works, and to meet said appropriation that the sum of $2,000.00 be transferred from the proceeds of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956 to meet the Town's share of the cost of the work, and that in addition, the Town borrow the sum of $11,000.00 to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work.

Article 45. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate $300.00 to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles.

Article 46. Voted and passed over.

Article 47. Voted: That the Town authorize the Finance Committee to make a study of the salaries of the Town Officers, to recommend changes where necessary, and to report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 48. Voted: By written ballot, Yes—66, No—79, that the Town do not accept that Building By-Law (filed herewith) as proposed by the Planning Board.

Article 49. Voted: That the Town discontinue posting warrants on Gulf Road at the corner of Orange Road.

Article 50. Voted: That the Town transfer $3,000.00 from Overlay Reserve for a Reserve Fund for the current year.

Article 51. Voted: That the Town transfer $30,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1958 tax rate.

The meeting was dissolved at 11:00 P.M.

Attest:

Town Clerk

Copy of the votes taken at the State Primary September 9, 1958

The polls were opened at 12:00 noon and closed at eight o'clock in the evening and it was found One Hundred Seventy-two ballots had been cast, Nine (9) Democratic and One Hundred Sixty-three (163) Republican. Seventy-three men and ninety-nine women cast their ballots.

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Senator in Congress		
Vincent J. Celeste	One Hundred Fifty	150
Blanks	Thirteen	13
Total		163
Governor		
George Fingold		
Charles Gibbons	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Lieutenant Governor		
Elmer C. Nelson	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Secretary		
Marion Curran Boch	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Treasurer		
John E. Yerxa	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Auditor		
Thomas H. Adams	One Hundred Fifty-eight	158
Blanks	Five	5
Total		163
Attorney General		
Christian A. Herter, Jr.	One Hundred Sixty-three	163
Blanks	None	0
Total		163
Congressman, First District		
Silvio O. Conte	One Hundred Fifty-two	152
Blanks	Eleven	11
Total		163

Councillor, Eighth District		
Michael G. Kafantaris	Forty-six	46
Eunice L. Mannheim	One Hundred Thirteen	113
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Senator, Franklin-Hampshire		
Ralph G. Mahar	One Hundred Fifty-four	154
Blanks	Nine	9
Total		163
Representative, 1st Franklin Dist.		
Philip F. Whitmore	One Hundred Fifty-seven	157
Blanks	Six	6
Total		163
District Attorney		
Sanford Keedy	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163
Clerk of Court		
Beulah U. Clifford	One Hundred Sixty	160
Blanks	Three	3
Total		163
Register of Deeds		
Carlos Allen	One Hundred Sixty	160
Blanks	Three	3
Total		163
County Commissioner		
Frank H. Reed	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159
Blanks	Four	4
Total		163

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Senator in Congress		
John F. Kennedy	Eight	8
Blanks	One	1
Total		9
Governor		
Foster Furcolo	Nine	9
Blanks	None	0
Total		9

Lieutenant Governor		
Robert F. Murphy	Eight	8
Blanks	One	1
Total		9
Secretary		
Edward J. Cronin	Nine	9
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Treasurer		
William G. Shaughnessy	Four	4
John F. Kennedy	Five	5
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Auditor		
Thomas J. Buckley	Nine	9
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Attorney General		
Edward J. McCormack, Jr.	Four	4
Endicott Peabody	Four	4
Blanks	One	1
Total		9
Congressman, First District		
James M. Burns	Nine	9
William F. Stapleton	None	0
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Councillor, Eighth District		
Raymond F. Sullivan, 227 White St.	Eight	8
Raymond F. Sullivan, 748 State St.	One	1
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Senator, Franklin-Hampshire		
Hermas Boucher	Five	5
John G. Clark	Four	4
Blanks	None	0
Total		9
Representative, 1st Franklin Dist.		
Blanks	Nine	9

Total	Nine	9
District Attorney		
Blanks	Nine	9
Total		9
Clerk of Court		
Lucy N. Sokoloski	Two	2
Blanks	Seven	7
Total		9
Register of Deeds		
Blanks	Nine	9
Total		9
County Commissioner		
Jeremiah F. Donovan	Six	6
Blanks	Three	3
Total		9

At the close of the polls at eight o'clock, the Clerk read the result of the ballot in open meeting and the same was dissolved.

Attest:

Town Clerk

Copy of the votes taken at the State Election November 4, 1958

At the close of the balloting at eight o'clock in the evening it was found that eight hundred twenty-seven ballots had been cast. It was found that 357 men and 422 women had cast ballots in person, 46 regular and registered service absentee and 2 non-registered service ballots had been cast, of which 20 were men and 28 were women.

The result of the balloting is as follows:

Senator in Congress		
John F. Kennedy	Three hundred fifty-three	353
Vincent J. Celeste	Four hundred fifty-six	456
Lawrence Gilfedder	None	0
Mark R. Shaw	Six	6
Blanks	Twelve	12
Total		827
Governor		
Foster Furcolo	One hundred ninety-eight	198
Charles Gibbons	Six hundred fourteen	614
Henning A. Blomen	One	1
Guy S. Williams	Five	5

Blanks	Nine	9
Total		827
Lieutenant Governor		
Robert F. Murphy	Two hundred eight	208
Elmer C. Nelson	Five hundred ninety-five	595
Harold E. Bassett	Seven	7
Francis A. Votano	None	0
Blanks	Seventeen	17
Total		827
Secretary		
Edward J. Cronin	Two hundred twenty-five	225
Marion Curran Boch	Five hundred seventy-four	574
Fred M. Ingersoll	None	0
Julia B. Konler	Six	6
Blanks	Twenty-two	22
Total		827
Treasurer		
John F. Kennedy	Two hundred thirty	230
John E. Yerxa	Five hundred sixty-seven	567
Warren C. Carberg	Eight	8
John Erlandsson	One	1
Blanks	Twenty-one	21
Total		827
Auditor		
Thomas J. Buckley	Two hundred ten	210
Thomas H. Adams	Five hundred eighty-three	583
John B. Lauder	Six	6
Arne A. Sortell	One	1
Blanks	Twenty-seven	27
Total		827
Attorney General		
Christian A. Herter, Jr.	Six hundred seventy-two	672
Edward J. McCormack, Jr.	One hundred thirty-four	134
Charles A. Couper	One	1
Gustaf B. Nissen	Five	5
Blanks	Fifteen	15
Total		827
Congressman		
James M. Burns	One hundred ninety-two	192
Silvio O. Conte	Six hundred eighteen	618
Louise Stone Wilson	Five	5

Blanks	Twelve	12
Total		827
Councillor		
Raymond F. Sullivan	One hundred eighty-six	186
Eunice L. Mannheim	Five hundred ninety-nine	599
Thomas Maratea	Fourteen	14
Blanks	Twenty-eight	28
Total		827
Senator		
Ralph C. Mahar	Six hundred eighty-two	682
Hermas Boucher	One hundred fourteen	114
Matthew Maratea	Fourteen	14
Blanks	Seventeen	17
Total		827
Representative		
Philip F. Whitmore	Seven hundred fifty	750
Blanks	Seventy-seven	77
Total		827
District Attorney		
Sanford Keedy	Seven hundred forty	740
Blanks	Eighty-seven	87
Total		827
Clerk of Courts		
Beulah U. Clifford	Seven hundred forty-seven	747
Blanks	Eighty	80
Total		827
Register of Deeds		
Carlos Allen	Seven hundred forty-eight	748
Blanks	Seventy-nine	79
Total		827
County Commissioner		
Frank H. Reed	Five hundred ninety-five	595
Jeremiah F. Donovan	One hundred seventy-seven	177
Arthur J. Green	Forty-one	41
Blanks	Fourteen	14
Total		827
Question No. 1 (Law Proposed by Initiative Petition)		
Yes	Four hundred eighty-one	481
No	One hundred ninety-five	195

	Blanks	One hundred fifty-one	151
	Total		827

Question No. 2
(Sale of all alcoholic beverages)

A	Yes	Two hundred thirty-six	236
	No	Five hundred thirty	530
	Blanks	Sixty-one	61
	Total		827

(Sale of wines and malt beverages)

B	Yes	Two hundred sixteen	216
	No	Five hundred	500
	Blanks	One hundred eleven	111
	Total		827

(All alcoholic beverages in packages)

C	Yes	Two hundred forty-nine	249
	No	Four hundred sixty-nine	469
	Blanks	One hundred nine	109
	Total		827

Question No. 3

(Pari-mutuel betting on Horse races)

A	Yes	Two hundred twenty-five	225
	No	Five hundred thirty-six	536
	Blanks	Sixty-six	66
	Total		827

(Pari-mutuel betting on Dog races)

B	Yes	One hundred seventy-three	173
	No	Five hundred fifty-eight	558
	Blanks	Ninety-six	96
	Total		827

The Polls were declared closed at eight o'clock P.M.

Town Clerk

The votes taken at the Special Town Meeting November 24, 1958

Approximately fifty inhabitants of Northfield assembled at the

Town Hall in accordance with the foregoing Warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the special Town Meeting.

The Moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston, called the meeting to order at eight o'clock in the evening of November 24th. The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

At the request of Mr. Greenwood, Article 2 was considered first. The consideration of the articles in the Warrant resulted as follows:

Article 2. Voted: To transfer from the Road Machinery Fund to be used in trading for a new chain saw the sum of $175.00.

Article 1. Voted: To transfer from the Road Machinery Fund to be used in trading for a new Town Truck the sum of $4,500.00.

Article 3. Voted: To transfer from the Road Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance the sum of $800.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk

Jury List -- 1959

Harold Bigelow

Ernest C. Howard

Wallace E. Stange

Roy J. Fish

Virginia M. Callaghan

Carolyn B. Parenteau

Mildred Hudson

Marjorie W. Prescott

Paul H. Carpenter

Genevieve Eastman

Charles Repeta

Dwight P. Stearns

Clarence K. Webber

Deane W. Williams

Paul Mayberry

Kenneth Miller

Merritt Skilton

Kenneth R. Hall

Leon H. Dunnell

Winfred J. Greene

Warren E. Whitney

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958

Balance January 1, 1958		$130,165.12
Receipts for year 1958		471,718.29
		$601,883.41
Payments per Warrants	$464,525.95	
Deposited in Savings Bank	200.00	
Cash on hand December 31, 1958	1,402.91	
Franklin County Trust Company	134,494.55	
Crocker Savings Institution	1,260.00	601,883.41

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1958 per Statement		149,764.06
Outstanding Checks December 31 per list	15,269.51	
Balance December 31, 1958 per check book	134,494.55	149,764.06

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance on hand January 1, 1958	246.71	
Amount collected from members in 1958	2,088.62	2,335.33
Payment to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1958	2,089.36	
Balance December 31, 1958 in treasury	245.97	2,335.33

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand January 1, 1958	1,208.04	
Withholding tax deducted in 1958	14,746.56	15,954.60
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1958	14,623.66	
Balance Dec. 31, 1958 in treasury	1,330.94	15,954.60

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Balance on hand January 1, 1958	333.45	
Deducted from members in 1958	1,418.36	1,751.81
Paid to Mass. Hospital Service in 1958	1,595.01	
Balance December 31, 1958 in treasury	156.80	1,751.81

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others—West Northfield Cemetery Funds

	Savings Deposits	Securities	Total
On hand January 1, 1958	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
On hand December 31, 1958	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,300.00
Receipts of interest	21.48		

James W. Cowles Cemetry Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	2,000.00		2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1958	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	60.45		

Calvin Starns Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1958	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Belcher Center School Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	1,050.00		1,050.00
On hand December 31, 1958	1,050.00		1,050.00
Receipts of Interest	31.83		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1958	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	55.23		

Belcher Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	9,439.01		9,439.01
On hand December 31, 1958	9,439.01		9,439.01
Receipts of Interest	373.96		

Belcher Library and School Funds

On hand January 1, 1958		500.00	500.00
On hand December 31, 1958		500.00	500.00
Receipts of Interest	13.80		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	951.10		951.10
On hand December 31, 1958	994.54		994.54
Receipts of Interest added to account	43.44		

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1958	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.68		

Surplus Revenue School Funds

On hand January 1, 1958	1,600.00		1,600.00
On hand December 31, 1958	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of Interest	73.08		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	3,000.00		3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1958	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.67		

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1958	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	3,989.21	10,000.00	13,989.21
Receipts of Interest on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Int. on Savings Deposits	118.03		
On hand December 31, 1958	4,357.24	10,000.00	14,357.27

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	500.00		500.00
On hand December 31, 1958	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Maude Montague Library Fund

On hand January 1, 1958		2,000.00	2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1958		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	50.00		

Town of Northfield Real Estate Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	1,298.07		1,298.07
On hand December 31, 1958	1,260.00		1,260.00
Interest received	38.07		

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora B. Preston & Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00
Mary E. Bunker	200.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	100.00
Lorimer Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph S. Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning & Robert Washer	100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada Chamberlain & Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Graves	51.69
Brigham Gage & David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James & William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher & Frank & Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Ashael Sawyer & Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton & Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha & Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. & William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Wetherhead	75.00
Oscar & Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie L. Bascomb	150.00
Herbert Dutton	35.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson & Nettie Spring	100.00
Emma Holtworth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis & Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Isaac Cook & Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00

Elijar Belding	125.00
James White	100.00
Arad Webster & William Billings	500.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
Charles Alexander & Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson & Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Hatchita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White & George & William Hastings	301.50
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah & Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah & Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus & Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. & Arthur H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin Field & Charles Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300.00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
C. D. Merriam & Cornelius Hillard	300.00
Cora B. Preston & Asa Holton	100.00
Frank Piper & William Piper	100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

On hand January 1, 1958	15,174.75		15,174.75
On hand December 31, 1958	15,399.75		15,399.75
Receipts of Interest	491.83		
Receipts of Bequests	225.00	716.83	
Deposited in Savings Bank	225.00		
Interest transferred to town	491.83	716.83	

CHARLES F. SLATE, Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

Taxes for 1954

Outstanding 1/1/58		$ 159.40
Paid Treasurer	159.40	
Outstanding 1/1/59	00.00	
	$ 159.40	$ 159.40

Taxes for 1955

Outstanding 1/1/58		1,845.71
Abatement Paid		10.69
Paid Treasurer	1,348.53	
Abated	286.47	
Outstanding	221.40	
	1,856.40	1,856.40

Taxes for 1956

Outstanding 1/1/58		8,539.91
Paid Treasurer	6,494.42	
Abatements	591.33	
Outstanding 1/1/59	1,454.16	
	8,539.91	8,539.91

Taxes for 1957

Outstanding 1/1/58		32,589.68
Committed in 1958		6,455.42
Refunds		251.81
Paid Treausrer	26,603.90	
Abated	645.40	
Outstanding 1/1/59	12,047.61	
	39,296.91	39,296.91

Taxes for 1958

Poll Tax Levy		1,376.00
Refunds		8.00
Paid Treasurer	942.00	
Abatements	38.00	
Exemptions	264.00	
Outstanding 1/1/59	140.00	
	1,384.00	1,384.00
Personal Property Tax Levy		20,078.08
Refunds		8.80
Paid to Treasurer	18,638.40	
Outstanding 1/1/59	1,448.48	
	20,086.88	20,086.88
Animal Tax Levy		765.82
Paid Treasurer	706.31	
Outstanding 1/1/59	59.51	
	765.82	765.82
Real Estate Tax Levy		206,472.20
Refunds		203.20
Paid Treasurer	174,877.26	
Added to Tax Titles	587.40	
Exemptions	4,630.12	
Abatements	608.88	
Outstanding 1/1/59	25,971.74	
	206,675.40	206,675.40
Motor Vehicle Tax Levy		34,437.40
Refunds		536.78
Abatements	1,028.33	
Paid Treasurer	24,559.20	
Outstanding 1/1/59	9,386.65	
	34,974.18	34,974.18

Board of Assessors' Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1958
Recapitulation

Town Appropriation			
(a) to be raised by Taxation		$350,408.41	
(b) to be raised from available funds			
in 1958	$42,850.00		
in 1957 after tax rate was fixed	10,351.84		
		53,201.84	
			$403,610.25
Veterans' Service District			824.76
State Assessments 1958 Estimated			
State Parks and Reservations	1,156.01		
Underestimate	31.84		
		1,187.85	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,415.72		
		1,415.72	
			2,603.57
County Assessments			
County Tax		11,852.17	
County Retirement System		2,149.01	
			14,001.18
Overlay of current year			7,220.52
			$428,260.28

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$25,582.83
Corporation Taxes	7,428.74
Reimbursement on account of Publicly owned land	608.52
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S 10	1,430.03
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	27,500.00
Licenses	100.00
General Government	300.00

Protection of Persons and Property	100.00		
Health and Sanitation	200.00		
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	4,000.00		
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	28,000.00		
Veterans' Services	700.00		
Schools	19,600.00		
Interest on Taxes	1,000.00		
Farm Animal Excise	500.00		
		117,050.12	
Available Funds	53,201.84		
Free Cash	30,000.00		
County Tax overestimate	86.04		
		83,287.88	
Total Estimated Receipts and available Funds			200,338.00
Net amount to be raised by Taxation			227,922.28
Number of Polls 686 @ $2.00 each		1,372.00	
Valuation of Personal Property $228,160.00 @ $88.00		20,078.08	
Valuation of Real Estate $2,346,275.00 @ $88.00		206,472.20	
			$227,922.28

Table of Aggregates

Number of Polls	686	
Number of Persons assessed		
On Personal Property only	34	
On Real Estate only	454	
On both Personal and Real Estate	237	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$47,300.00	
Machinery	167,560.00	
Live Stock	3,875.00	
All Other Personal Property	9,425.00	
		228,160.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	616,360.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1,729,915.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$2,346,275.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		$2,574,435.00

Tax Rate per $1,000	$ 88.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	20,078.08	
On Real Estate	206,472.20	
On Polls	1,372.00	
		$227,922.28

Abatements During the Year 1958

Levy of	1958	1957	1956	1955
Polls	$ 302.00	$ 38.00	$ 10.00	
Motor Vehicles	1,028.33	538.18	562.58	280.47
Personal		69.12	3.75	6.00
Real Estate	608.88		15.00	
Exemptions Chap. 59	4,630.12			

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles	1,386
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	34,437.40
Total Assessed Valuation	$684,301.00

Motor Vehicle Incomplete—Compiled to December 31, 1958

We the Board of Assessors would like to express our appreciation to the People of Northfield, Town officials, for their assistance and cooperation and to the Northfield Post Office for the help received with the mailing of the Valuation books.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1958	56	
No. cases added during year	5	
No. cases closed during year	11	
No. cases December 31, 1958	50	
Appropriation, 1958	$40,000.00	
U. S. Grant, carried from 1957	9,166.82	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements, 1958	25,489.52	
Cancelled checks and refunds	510.01	
		$75,166.35

Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	$23,061.70	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	37,588.62	
Expended, to Other Towns	1,468.35	
Transferred to revenue	1,183.73	
U. S. Grant forward to 1959	11,863.95	
		$75,166.35

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1958	2	
No. cases added during year	2	
No. cases closed during year	1	
No. cases December 31, 1958	3	
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1957	835.15	
U. S. Grant reimbursement, 1958	1,673.47	
		7,508.62
Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	1,139.15	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	2,315.42	
Transferred to revenue	2,684.58	
U. S. Grant forward in 1959	1,369.47	
		7,508.62

Disability Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1958	1	
No. cases added during year	0	
No. cases closed during year	0	
No. cases December 31, 1958	1	
Appropriation, 1958	$ 3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1957	770.58	
U. S. Grant reimbursement, 1958	489.50	
		4,260.08
Expended, payrolls, U. S. Grant	$ 706.48	
Expended, payrolls, Town Appropriation	1,535.48	
Transferred to revenue	1,464.52	
U. S. Grant forward to 1959	553.60	
		4,260.08

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1958	3	
No. cases added during year	8	
No. cases closed during year	7	
No. cases December 31, 1958	4	
Appropriation, 1958		5,000.00

Expended:			
Cash to GR recipients		$ 924.20	
Payments to Other Towns		107.67	
Payments to Vendors:			
Maintenance	$858.60		
Hospitals	152.06		
Physicians	101.00		
Drugs	2.70		
Burial	150.00		
		1,264.36	
		2,296.23	
Transferred to revenue		2,703.77	
			5,000.00

Administration

Appropriation, 1958		$ 3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried from 1957:			
OAA	$1,421.67		
ADC	480.16		
DA	125.08		
		2,026.91	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1958			
OAA	$2,296.18		
ADC	326.79		
DA	43.67		
		2,666.64	
			7,693.55
Expended:			
Salaries	$4,903.57		
Transportation	102.72		
Postage	39.25		
Telephone	72.15		
Office supplies, Service contracts and Miscellaneous	122.89		
		5,240.58	
Transferred to revenue		109.52	
U. S. Grant forward to 1959:			
OAA	$1,585.09		
ADC	589.61		
DA	168.75		
		2,343.45	
			7,693.55

Medical Services and Supplies totalled $17,164.71 for all four categories in 1958, which was $9,260.17 less than the $26,424.82 paid to vendors in 1957. However, this is not entirely an actual saving, but rather represents in part a difference in the method of paying nursing homes for board, room and care. Beginning January 1, 1959, the nursing home rate will be $6.50 per day, an increase of $.75, with full payment to the nursing home less the patient's resource, with resulting increase in medical vendor payments in 1959. The medical expense for 1958 represents 24% of all money expended in the four categories in 1958.

Recapitulation

Vendor	OAA	ADC	DA	GR	Totals
Physicians	2,519.70	409.70	73.15	101.00	3,103.55
Drugs	3,374.96	361.75	65.85	2.70	3,805.26
Nursing Homes	6,380.66		883.76		7,264.42
Hospitals	1,504.76	49.12		152.06	1,705.94
Other	283.60	13.00	5.00		301.60
Burials	833.94			150.00	983.94
	14,897.62	833.57	1,027.76	405.76	17,164.71

Recoveries to the Town under the Lien Law in Old Age Assistance have been $3,680.00 in three cases. Other recoveries are shown in the Accountant's report. Under General Relief, total recoveries from an insurance case, six cases billed the State, and two cases billed other towns, were $3,397.40 for 1958.

Budget requests for 1959 represent a decrease from the 1958 appropriation of $3,500, or 6.25%. 1959 estimates and 1958 appropriations follow, in that order: OAA, $39,000, $40,000; ADC, $4,000, $5,000; DA, $2,500, $3,000; GR, $4,000, $5,000; and Administration, $3,000, $3,000. Total requests for 1959, $52,500. Total appropriations in 1958, $56,000.

The Welfare Agent is a member of the Massachusetts Public Welfare Association, and the Public Assistance Administrators' Association, and has attended several conferences by these organizations during the past year. She has also received a certificate of training for completing the Welfare Course under Miss Margaret Jackson of the Civil Defense Agency in Greenfield June 23 to June 27, 1958.

The cooperation received from the Board of Selectmen and of Public Welfare and the various departments of the town during the year has been much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY, H. KEHL, Agent
Northfield Board of Public Welfare

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1958, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1959.

Helen M. Stearns

RECEIPTS

1954 Taxes		
Personal Property	$ 71.90	
Real Estate	87.50	
		$ 159.40
1955 Taxes		
Personal Property	21.95	
Real Estate	745.60	
		$ 767.54
1956 Taxes		
Polls	2.00	
Personal Property	383.82	
Real Estate	3,420.22	
		$ 3,806.04
1957 Taxes		
Polls	138.00	
Personal Property	1,030.08	
Real Estate	16,065.34	
		$ 17,233.42
1958 Taxes		
Polls	942.00	
Personal Property	18,638.40	
Real Estate	174,877.26	
		$194,457.66
1957 Farm Animal Excise	45.13	
1958 Farm Animal Excise	706.31	
		$ 751.44
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1955	580.99	
Levy of 1956	3,137.90	
Levy of 1957	9,325.35	
Levy of 1958	24,559.20	
		$ 37,603.44
Collector's Costs		$ 338.95
Sale Tax Title Possessions		$ 1,025.00

Acct. Rec.		
General Relief	1,524.33	
O.A.A.	29,824.96	
A.D.C.	1,233.37	
D.A. Adm.	21.83	
D.A.	1,215.97	
Vets Benefits	718.72	
		$ 34,539.18
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	2,296.18	
O.A.A.	25,489.52	
A.D.C. Adm.	326.79	
A.D.C.	1,673.47	
D.A. Adm.	43.67	
D.A.	489.50	
		$ 30,319.13

O.A.A. Recoveries	4,140.30
Hwy. Bond Issue, Chapter 718	4,000.00
State Aid to Hwys.	28,957.79
County Aid to Hwys.	5,999.88
Road Machinery Fund	8,142.05
School Lunch	15,639.59
Tailings	238.98
Dog Licenses collected for County	669.50
Federal Withholding Taxes	14,746.56
Co. Retirement Withheld	2,088.62
Mass. Hospital Service	1,418.36
U.S. Bond Income	250.00
County Dog Officer	476.00
Wild Cat Bounty	70.00
Rent—Town Hall	391.00
Rent—Alexander Hall	15.00
Interest on deferred taxes	1,389.94
Nurse's fees	180.50
Library Fines	171.54
Sealer's fees	167.60
Licenses Granted	244.50
Vocational Educational fees	8.00
General Relief Reimbursement	1,873.07
Town Hall, broken dish	.15
Central Vt. Railway—Fire	20.00
Rebate—Insurance	295.94
Court Fines	5.00
Telephone call	.20
Sale—Miscellaneous used articles	6.00
County Dog Fund	495.34

State		
Loss of taxes	608.53	
Meals tax	2,052.29	
Livestock Disease Control	89.91	
Corporation tax	9,966.49	
Income tax	22,459.50	
School Aid	6,674.85	
Vocational Education	1,310.84	
Transportation	11,159.68	
School Superintendent	1,304.23	
		$ 55,626.32
Sale of Real Estate Fund Interest		38.07
Trust Funds Interest		
Elisha Alexander Charity	80.80	
George F. Morgan Charity	90.68	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	15.11	
Belcher Center School	37.25	
Belcher Library	382.24	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	90.67	
P.G. Center, Mt. H. & So. Mt. Cemeteries	452.87	
P.C. Nfld. Farms	125.46	
P.C. West Nfld.	257.79	
P.C. Mary Callender	15.11	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	73.08	
		$ 1,686.17
Sale of Cemetery Lots		175.00
Trust Funds		225.00
Town of Brattleboro, Welfare		305.65
Refunds		
O.A.A.	486.23	
Machinery Maintenance	9.85	
Schools	58.42	
Insurance	507.51	
		$ 1,062.01
Total Cash Receipts		$472,220.82
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1958		130,165.12
		$602,385.95

Recapitulation

	App.	Pyt.	Balance
Moderator	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	
Moderator's expense	15.00		15.00
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Selectmen's expense	350.00	326.89	23.11
Accountant	950.00	950.00	
Accountant expense	75.00	75.00	
Accountant's Adding Machine	350.00	320.00	30.00
Legal expense	250.00	250.00	
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	
Treasurer's expense	400.00	400.00	
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	
Assessors & Clerk	1,600.00	1,600.00	
Assessors' expense	300.00	300.00	
Finance Bd. expense	25.00	24.95	.05
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	
Town Clerk expense	80.00	74.00	6.00
Election & Registration	1,242.65	1,242.65	
Planning Board expense	50.00	8.00	42.00
Constable's pay & expense	750.00	715.77	34.23
Fire Dept.	2,828.45	2,828.45	
Fire Dept. Hose & Misc. Equipment	775.00	775.00	
Hydrant Service	400.00	400.00	
Water Holes	400.00	75.00	325.00
Maint. Fire Sta. & Town Garage	1,049.33	1,049.33	
Public Safety	50.00		50.00
Wire Inspector	50.00		50.00
Sealer Wgts & Measures	150.00	150.00	
Sealer's expense	40.00	40.00	
Control & Suppression Public Nuisances	1,000.00	996.92	3.08
Tree Warden	800.00	795.09	4.91
Planting Shade Trees	200.00	199.70	.30
Dog Officer	175.00	158.55	16.45
Health	1,300.00	1,219.20	80.80
Public Health Nurse & substitute	2,800.00	2,767.70	32.30
Nurse's expense	75.00	13.75	61.25
Nurse's car expense	300.00	160.39	139.61
Inspection of Animals	195.35	195.35	
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Hwy. Supt. expense	125.00	111.46	13.54
Hwy. Tools	100.00	99.75	.25
Hwy. Chapter 81	23,100.00	23,099.91	.09
Hwy. Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,500.00	4,499.70	.30
Hwy. Work Railings & Bridges	3,500.00	3,497.65	2.35
Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00		1,000.00

Snow Removal	9,504.83	9,504.83	
Street Lights	6,610.00	6,607.96	2.04
Hwy. Bounds, Surveys & Plans	250.00		250.00
Public Welfare Adm.	3,000.00	2,890.48	109.52
General Relief	,5000.00	2,296.23	2,703.77
O.A.A.	40,240.70	39,056.97	1,183.73
A.D.C.	5,000.00	2,315.42	2,684.58
D.A.	3,000.00	1,535.48	1,464.52
Soldiers' Relief	3,000.00	807.67	2,192.33
School Committees	600.00	600.00	
Schools	91,446.42	91,166.96	279.46
P.V. Regional School, Capital & Operating	113,812.41	113,812.41	
Nfld. Farms Library	150.00	150.00	
Dickinson Library	5,950.00	5,950.00	
Alexander Hall	250.00	249.97	.03
Interest	300.00		300.00
Town Reports	1,800.00	1,793.00	7.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00		300.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00		25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	194.80	80.20
Playground Maint. & Improvement	400.00	317.53	82.47
Summer Playground Program	500.00	489.13	10.87
Fish for Streams	200.00	200.00	
Repairs—discontinued schoolhouses	100.00		100.00
Fence Viewer's expense	25.00		25.00
Field Driver's expense	25.00		25.00
Cemeteries	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Veterans' Grave Markers	50.00	50.00	
Fire Station Bonds & Interest	4,188.00	4,188.00	
Unexpended balances to Revenue			$ 13,781.14
Tax Collector's expense	650.00	610.44	39.06
Town Hall Maintenance	6,469.00	6,374.53	94.47
Dutch Elm Control	2,400.00	2,299.09	100.91
Insurance	6,462.96	6,374.22	88.74
Town Clock & Fountain	385.46	355.71	29.75
Unexpended balances to Reserve Fund			$ 352.93
Machinery Maintenance	7,509.85	7,378.14	131.71
Purchase of Truck & Sander	6,500.00	5,523.94	976.06
Purchase of Power Saw	175.00	175.00	
Unexpended balances to Road Mach. Fund			1,107.77

Plotting Map for Assessors	1,356.53	120.00	1,236.53
Assessors' Equalization of Taxation Program	1,500.00	259.53	1,240.47
Civil Defense	490.44	406.46	83.98
Purchase of Truck	4,500.00		4,500.00
Hwy. Chapter 90 Construction	14,000.00	10,728.54	3,271.46
Hwy. Chapter 718 (Bond Issue)	4,547.03	773.80	3,773.23
Repair & Paint Schell Bridge	13,000.00	2,410.78	10,589.22
Highland Circuit	250.00		250.00
Damages	500.00	300.00	200.00
Unexpended balances to 1959			$ 25,144.89

Refunds on Taxes	220.00	
Refunds on Motor Vehicle Excise	1,123.69	
U.S. Grant O.A.A. Adm.	2,149.72	
U.S. Grant A.D.C. Adm.	217.34	
U.S. Grant O.A. Assistance	23,061.70	
U.S. Grant A.D.C.	1,139.15	
U.S. Grant Disability	706.48	
School Lunch	13,472.21	
Dog Licenses to County	654.25	
Withholding Taxes	14,623.66	
County Retirement	2,089.36	
Mass. Hospital Service	1,751.81	
State Parks & Reservation	1,143.03	
State Audit	1,415.72	
U.S. Bond Income to Savings	250.00	
Veterans' Service Center	824.76	
County Retirement System	2,149.01	
County Tax	12,348.38	
County Dog Officer	476.00	
Wild Cat Bounty	90.00	
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund Interest	15.00	
Belcher Library Fund Interest	193.52	
P.C. Center, Mt. & So. Mt. Cemeteries Interest	691.94	
P.C. Nfld. Farms Cemetery Interest	34.39	
P.C. West Nfld. Cemetery Interest	197.50	
P.C. Mary Callender Fund Interest	42.00	
P.C. Calvin Stearns Fund Interest	27.00	
Trust Funds to Savings Accountants	225.00	
Brattleboro Welfare case	305.65	
Total cash payments by warrants	$464,725.95	
Returned check	502.45	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1958	137,157.55	
		$602,385.95

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation			350.00
Ass'n Memberships	31.00		
Com. Public Safety	15.51		
Telephone	93.10		
Supplies	137.28		
Lawyers Co-op. Pub. Co.	50.00		
	326.89		
Balance to revenue	23.11		
		$	350.00

Accountant's Expense

Appropriation			75.00
Ass'n membership	3.00		
Supplies	72.00		
		$	75.00

Accountant's Adding Machine

Appropriation			350.00
Adding Machine	320.00		
Balance to Revenue	30.00		
		$	350.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation			400.00
Ass'n membership	2.00		
Bond	159.50		
Postage	155.83		
Supplies and maintenance	82.67		
		$	400.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation	600.00		
Reserve	50.00		
		$	650.00
Ass'n membership	2.00		
Bonds	311.75		
Postage	154.40		
Supplies	142.79		
	610.94		
Balance to Reserve Fund	39.06		
		$	650.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation		300.00
Ass'n membership	9.00	
Franklin Registry of Deeds	40.40	
Supplies and Maintenance	250.60	
		$ 300.00

Plotting Map for Assessors

Appropriation Balance		1,356.53
Engineering—Barnes	120.00	
Balance to 1959	1,236.53	
		$ 1,356.53

Equalization of Valuation Program

Appropriation		1,500.00
Leslie Willard, advisory	100.00	
Sundry persons, labor	116.00	
Postage	43.53	
	259.53	
Balance to 1959	1,240.47	
		$ 1,500.00

Finance Board Expense

Appropriation		25.00
Ass'n membership	15.00	
Supplies and postage	9.95	
	24.95	
Balance to Revenue	.05	
		$ 25.00

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation		80.00
Ass'n membership	7.50	
Bond	7.50	
Repair Town Seal	24.00	
Supplies	35.00	
	74.00	
Balance to Revenue	6.00	
		$ 80.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation	1,200.00	
Reserve	42.65	
		$ 1,242.65
Registrars	443.50	
Election Officers	520.94	
Printing	44.00	
Street Lists	209.00	
Supplies	25.21	
		$ 1,242.65

Planning Board Expense

Appropriation		50.00
Printing	8.00	
Balance to Revenue	42.00	
		$ 50.00

Town Hall Maintenance

Appropriation	6,000.00	
Reserve	469.00	
		$ 6,469.00
Fuel	1,939.33	
Lights	264.52	
Repairs—Bolton	1,977.26	
Electrical repairs—Holton	76.05	
Tuning Piano	8.00	
Com. Public Safety	35.00	
Janitor	1,800.00	
Cleaning	38.76	
Rubbish removal	39.60	
Janitor Supplies	118.24	
Water	12.00	
Repairs	65.77	
	6,374.53	
Balance to Reserve Fund	94.47	
		$ 6,469.00

Constable and Expense

Appropriation		750.00
Salaries	691.52	
Supplies	24.25	
	715.77	
Balance to Revenue	34.23	
		$ 750.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	2,500.00	
Reserve	328.45	
		$ 2,828.45
Tri State Mutual Aid	20.25	
Fire Chief salary	100.00	
Forest Warden salary	100.00	
Secretary to Fire Dept. Salary	25.00	
Fire phones	309.49	
Maintenance Fire Trucks	188.79	
Labor—Firemen	1,542.00	
Equipment	542.92	
		$ 2,828.45

Fire Department Hose and Miscellaneous Equip.

Appropriation		775.00
Equipment		775.00

Water Holes

Appropriation		400.00
Labor	75.00	
Balance to Revenue	325.00	
		$ 400.00

Maintenance Fire Station & Town Garage

Appropriation	1,000.00	
Reserve	49.33	
		$ 1,049.33
Fuel	696.82	
Electricity	277.04	
Telephone	7.30	
Water	21.65	
Repairs	42.40	
Supplies	4.12	
		$ 1,049.33

Sealer Weights and Measures and Expense

Appropriation		190.00
Salary	150.00	
Expenses	40.00	
		$ 190.00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation	1,800.00	
Reserve	600.00	
		$ 2,400.00
New England Tree Expert Co.	174.75	
Equipment & Supplies	103.54	
Town Machinery	507.30	
Labor	1,513.50	
	2,299.09	
Balance to Reserve Fund	100.91	
		$ 2,400.00

Control and Suppression Certain Public Nuisances

Appropriation		1,000.00
Spray Materials	246.31	
Hinkley Tree Service	443.76	
Town machinery	33.05	
Labor	273.80	
	996.92	
Balance to Revenue	3.08	
		$ 1,000.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation		800.00
Equipment	16.76	
Town Machinery	137.50	
Labor	640.83	
	795.09	
Balance to Revenue	4.91	
		$ 800.00

Planting Shade Trees

Appropriation		200.00
Nursery Stock	177.20	
Cedar poles	15.00	
Labor	7.50	
	199.70	
Balance to Revenue	.30	
		$ 200.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		175.00
Labor & mileage	158.55	
Balance to Revenue	16.45	
		$ 175.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1957	340.44	
Appropriation	150.00	
		$ 490.44
Equipment	344.20	
Supplies	62.26	
	406.46	
Balance to 1959	83.98	
		$ 490.44

Health

Appropriation		1,300.00
Ass'n memberships	7.00	
Dr. for Clinic	75.00	
Franklin Co. Hospital	40.75	
Vital Statistics	113.00	
Travel and supplies	2.62	
Town Dump (980.83)		
Extermination Service	130.00	
Labor	659.03	
Town Machinery	107.00	
Hired Machinery	53.00	
Gravel	31.80	
	1,219.20	
Balance to Revenue	80.80	
		$ 1,300.00

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		2,800.00
Nurse salary	2,550.00	
Substitute	217.70	
	2,767.70	
Balance to Revenue	32.30	
		$ 2,800.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		75.00
Telephone	3.60	
Medicinal supplies & postage	6.15	
Journal of Nursing	4.00	
	13.75	
Balance to Revenue	61.25	
		$ 75.00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation		300.00
Registration	3.00	
Gas and Oil	92.99	
Repairs and service	64.40	
	160.39	
Balance to Revenue	139.61	
		$ 300.00

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		50.00
Salary	25.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund	7,500.00	
Refund	9.85	
		$ 7,509.85
Labor, Hwy workers	374.95	
Rent	25.00	
Gas & Oil	1,753.96	
Registration—trucks	12.00	
Equipment	1,792.80	
Repairs & Supplies	3,419.43	
	7,378.14	
Balance to Road Mach. Fund	131.71	
		$ 7,509.85

Highway Superintendent Expense

Appropriation		125.00
Ass'n Supt.	5.00	
Telephone	97.96	
Supplies	8.50	
	111.46	
Balance to Revenue	13.54	
		$ 125.00

Tools

Appropriation		100.00
Sundry hardware & tools	99.75	
Balance to Revenue	.25	
		$ 100.00

Purchase of Truck and Sander

Balance 1957		6,500.00
Chevrolet Truck	2,875.00	
Sand Spreader	2,648.94	
	5,523.94	
Balance to Road Mach. Fund	976.00	
		$ 6,500.00

Purchase of Truck

Road Mach. Fund	4,500.00
Balance to 1959	4,500.00

Purchase of Power Saw

Road Mach. Fund	175.00
Power Saw	175.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation	4,950.00	
Surplus Revenue	18,150.00	
		$ 23,100.00
Labor	10,254.20	
Town Machinery	3,243.25	
Hired Machinery	1,446.00	
Material	8,156.46	
	23,099.91	
Balance to Revenue	.09	
		$ 23,100.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriation	2,000.00	
Surplus Revenue	12,000.00	
		$ 14,000.00
Labor	2,524.50	
Town Machinery	900.25	
Hired Machinery	3,170.00	
Material	4,133.79	
	10,728.54	
Balance to 1959	3,271.46	
		$ 14,000.00

Chapter 718

Balance from 1957	547.03	
State—Bond Issue	4,000.00	
		$ 4,547.03
Labor	214.80	
Town Machinery	19.00	
Material	540.00	
	773.80	
Balance to 1959	3,773.23	
		$ 4,547.03

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation	1,500.00	
Surplus Revenue	3,000.00	
		$ 4,500.00
Labor	561.65	
Town Machinery	246.00	
Hired Machinery	168.00	
Material	3,524.05	
	4,499.70	
Balance to Revenue	.30	
		$ 4,500.00

Highway Work, Railings and Bridges

Apppropriation		3,500.00
Labor	1,842.50	
Town Machinery	673.00	
Material	982.15	
	3,497.65	
Balance to Revenue	2.35	
		$ 3,500.00

Repair and Paint Schell Bridge

Appropriation	2,000.00	
Surplus Revenue	11,000.00	
		$ 13,000.00
Labor	177.65	
Hired Welding	1,826.00	
Material	407.13	
	2,410.78	
Balance to 1959	10,589.22	
		$ 13,000.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	9,000.00	
Reserve	504.83	
		$ 9,504.83
Labor	3,986.70	
Town Machinery	2,414.50	
Hired Machinery	1,794.00	
Material	1,050.79	
Repairs	11.09	
Sidewalk Snow Removal	277.75	
		$ 9,504.83

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		3,000.00
Ass'n membership	3.00	
Salaries	2,647.40	
Travel	80.22	
Telephone	46.35	
Supplies & Postage	113.51	
	2,890.49	
Balance to Revenue	109.52	
		$ 3,000.00

General Relief

Appropriation		5,000.00
Sundry persons	2,188.56	
Town of Montague	107.67	
	2,296.23	
Balance to Revenue	2,703.77	
		$ 5,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation	40,000.00	
Refunds	240.70	
		$ 40,240.70
Sundry persons	37,588.62	
Towns	1,468.35	
	39,056.97	
Balance to Revenue	1,183.73	
		$ 40,240.70

Aid Dependent Children

Appropriation		5,000.00
Sundry persons	2,315.42	
Balance to Revenue	2,684.58	
		$ 5,000.00

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		3,000.00
Sundry persons	1,535.48	
Balance to Revenue	1,464.52	
		$ 3,000.00

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		3,000.00
Sundry persons	807.67	
Balance to Revenue	2,192.33	
		$ 3,000.00

School Committees

Appropriation		600.00
Salaries Elementary Schools	300.00	
Salaries P.V.R.S.	300.00	
		$ 600.00

Schools

Appropriation	91,388.00	
Refund	58.42	
		$ 91,446.42

Supt. Salary	1,730.00	
Teachers Salaries	56,602.66	
Janitors' Salaries	4,834.29	
Transportation of pupils	13,392.20	
Transportation vocational school	512.36	
Clerk	514.98	
Text Books	1,600.28	
Janitor Supplies	1,042.68	
Water & Current	1,334.32	
Repairs	802.49	
Vocational Tuition	870.86	
Sundry	393.18	
Telephone	195.86	
Fuel	3,033.43	
School Physician	350.00	
School Nurse	700.00	
Student Supplies	1,034.22	
New Equipment	435.17	
Special project & remodeling	1,582.48	
Supt. Travel	205.50	
	91,166.96	
Balance to Revenue	279.46	
		$ 91,446.42

Pioneer Valley Regional School

Appropriation		113,812.41
P.V.R.S. District—Capital	31,777.54	
P.V.R.S. District—Operating	82,034.87	
		$113,812.41

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation		150.00
Nfld. Farms Library Ass'n		150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		5,950.00
Ass'n Library Trustees	2.00	
Librarian Salaries	3,589.40	
Library Supplies	82.85	
Janitor Salary	650.00	
Janitor Supplies	25.88	
Fuel	427.20	
Electricity & Water	191.97	
Telephone	73,06	

Books	642.64	
Subscriptions	63.35	
Book Binding	49.80	
Repairs	151.85	
		$ 5,950.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		250.00
Janitor	120.00	
Piano Tuning	8.00	
New Equipment	89.28	
Repairs & Supplies	32.69	
	249.97	
Balance to Revenue	.03	
		$ 250.00

Insurance

Appropriation	5,600.00	
Reserve	355.45	
		$ 5,955.45
Buildings	2,156.67	
Trucks & Machinery	695.00	
Fire Trucks	653.01	
Nurse's car	148.13	
Depositor's Forgery	18.75	
Workmen's Compensation	1,961.65	
Fire Dept. Accident & Inhalator	233.50	
	5,866.71	
Balance to Reserve Fund	88.74	
		$ 5,955.45

Damages

Balance 1957	200.00	
Appropriation	300.00	
		$ 500.00
County of Franklin	300.00	
Balance to 1959	200.00	
		$ 500.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation	125.00	
Reserve	260.46	
		$ 385.46

Caretaker of Clock, salary	75.00	
Repairs to Clock	110.00	
Electricity	10.00	
Water to Fountain	25.00	
Turning water on & off, seasonal	5.25	
Repair water line to fountain	130.46	
	355.71	
Balance to Reserve Fund	29.75	
		$ 385.46

Town Reports

Appropriation		1,800.00
Printing Town Reports	948.00	
Printing Valuation lists	785.00	
Postage	60.00	
	1,793.00	
Balance to Revenue	7.00	
		$ 1,800.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		275.00
Plants & Wreaths	83.40	
Grave Marker Flags	32.40	
P.V.R.S. Band	50.00	
Sundry	29.00	
	194.80	
Balance to Revenue	80.20	
		$ 275.00

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation		400.00
Caretaker	128.77	
Supplies	73.76	
Repairs	115.00	
	317.53	
Balance to Revenue	82.47	
		$ 400.00

Summer Playground Program

Appropriation		500.00
Salaries	388.00	
Games and Materials	82.77	
Postage	4.56	
Lunches for Children	13.80	
Milk donated by The Northfield School	n/c	
	489.13	
Balance to Revenue	10.78	
		$ 500.00

Purchase of Fish

Appropriation		200.00
Mohawk Trout Hatchery		200.00

Cemeteries

Approriation		2,000.00
Commissioner's salary	75.00	
Labor	1,722.84	
Truck & tractor work	43.25	
Repairs & Supplies	95.96	
Power Mower—Nfld. Farms	62.95	
		$ 2,000.00

Veterans Grave Markers

Appropriation		50.00
Veterans Service center, 24 markers		50.00

Fire Station Maturing Bonds and Interest

Appropriation		4,188.00
Bonds	3,000.00	
Interest	1,188.00	
		$ 4,188.00

U.S.G. — O.A.A. Adm.

Balance 1957	1,421.67	
Receipts	2,296.18	
		$ 3,717.85
Salaries	2,063.54	
Travel	36.46	
Telephone	20.40	
Postage	14.00	
Supplies	15.32	
	2,149.72	
Balance to 1959	1,568.13	
		$ 3,717.85

U.S.G. — O.A.A.

Balance 1957	9,166.82	
Receipts	25,489.52	
Refunds	245.53	
Recoveries	23.78	
		$ 34,925.65
Sundry persons	23,061.70	
Balance to 1959	11,863.95	
		$ 34,925.65

U.S.G. — A.D.C. Adm.

Balance 1957	480.16	
Receipts	326.79	
		$ 806.95
Salaries	202.63	
Telephone	5.40	
Postage	8.00	
Supplies	1.31	
	217.34	
Balance to 1959	589.61	
		$ 806.95

U.S.G. — A.D.C.

Balance 1957	835.15	
Receipts	1,673.47	
		$ 2,508.62
Sundry persons	1,139.15	
Balance to 1959	1,369.47	
		$ 2,508.62

U.S.G. — D.A. Adm.

Balance 1957	125.08	
Receipts	43.67	
		$ 168.75
Balance to 1959		168.75

U.S.G. — D.A.

Balance 1957	770.58	
Receipts	489.50	
		$ 1,260.08
Sundry Persons	706.48	
Balance to 1959	553.60	
		$ 1,260.08

O.A.A. Recoveries

Balance 1957	70.66	
Receipts	4,140.30	
		$ 4,210.96
Transferred to U.S.G.—O.A.A.	23.78	
Transferred to Estimated Receipts	196.72	
	220.50	
Balance to 1959	3,990.46	
		$ 4,210.96

Road Machinery Fund

Balance 1957	5,971.42	
Receipts	8,142.05	
Transferred from maintenance	131.71	
Transferred from Purchase of Chev. Truck	976.06	
		$ 15,221.24
Transferred to Mach. Maintenance	7,500.00	
Transferred to Purchase of Truck	4,500.00	
Transferred to Purchase of Power Saw	175.00	
	12,175.00	
Balance to 1959	3,046.24	
		$ 15,221.24

School Lunch

Balance 1957	1,564.45	
Receipts	15,639.59	
		$ 17,204.04
Labor	4,495.32	
Supplies	8,976.89	
	13,472.21	
Balance to 1959	3,731.83	
		$ 17,204.04

Elisha Alexander Fund Interest

Balance 1957	621.21	
Receipts	80.80	
		$ 702.01
Sundry persons	15.00	
Balance to 1959	687.01	
		$ 702.01

Belcher Library Fund Interest

Balance 1957	277.53	
Receipts	382.24	
		$ 659.77
Books	5.59	
Binding	31.37	
Fuel	72.76	
Repairs	83.80	
	193.52	
Balance to 1959	466.25	
		$ 659.77

P.C. Center, Mt. H., and So. Mt. Cemeteries

Balance 1957	307.08	
Receipts	452.87	
		$ 759.95
Labor	683.98	
Supplies	7.96	
	691.94	
Balance to 1959	68.01	
		$ 759.95

P.C. Northfield Farms Cemetery

Balance 1957	17.98	
Receipts	125.46	
		$ 143.44
Labor	34.39	
Balance to 1959	109.05	
		$ 143.44

P.C. West Northfield Cemetery

Balance 1957	362.17	
Receipts	257.79	
		$ 619.96
Labor	187.00	
Supplies	10.50	
	197.50	
Balance to 1959	422.46	
		$ 619.9

P.C. Mary Callender Lot

Balance 1957	62.01	
Receipts	15.11	
		$ 77.12
Labor	35.00	
Supplies	7.00	
	42.00	
Balance to 1959	35.12	
		$ 77.12

P.C. Calvin Stearns Lot

Balance 1957	48.74	
Receipts	15.11	
		$ 63.85
Labor	20.00	
Supplies	7.00	
	27.00	
Balance to 1959	36.85	
		$ 63.85

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets

Cash		$137,157.55
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1955		
Personal Property	221.40	
Levy of 1956		
Polls	8.00	
Personal Property	61.43	
Real Estate	574.38	
Levy of 1957		
Polls	14.00	
Personal Property	310.08	
Real Estate	7,234.09	

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees Payroll Deductions		
Withholding Taxes	1,330.94	
Co. Retirement withheld	245.97	1,576.91
Tailings		259.53
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	687.01	
George F. Morgan Charity	441.53	
Roselle A. Evans Charity	173.07	
Belcher Center School	144.47	
Belcher Library	466.25	
Montague Library	204.47	
Dickinson Book	121.14	
P.C. Ctr. Mt. H. & So. Mt. Cemeteries	68.01	
P.C. Nfld. Farms	109.05	
P.C. West Northfield	422.46	
P.C. Mary Callender	35.12	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	36.85	2,909.43

Levy of 1958		
Polls	140.00	
Personal Property	1,448.48	
Real Estate	25,971.74	35,983.60
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1958		59.51
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1956	810.35	
Levy of 1957	4,489.44	
Levy of 1958	9,386.65	14,686.44
Tax Titles & Possessions		
Tax Titles	5,253.49	
Tax Posessions	649.53	5,903.02
Departmental		
Sidewalks	112.38	
O.A.A.	124.81	
A.D.C.	394.42	631.61

Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	1,568.13	
O.A.A. Assistance	11,863.95	
A.D.C. Adm.	589.61	
A.D.C. Assistance	1,369.47	
D.A. Adm.	168.75	
D.A. Assistance	553.60	16,113.51
O.A.A. Recoveries		3,990.46
School Lunch		3,731.83
Road Machinery Fund		3,046.24
Overestimate State Parks & Reservations		12.98
Dog Licenses collected for County		15.25
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		2,071.12
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,492.72
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		8,138.36
Overlays reserved for abatements		
Levy of 1955	221.40	
Levy of 1956	643.81	
Levy of 1957	2,612.89	
Levy of 1958	1,679.52	5,157.62
Revenues reserved until collected		
Farm Animal excise	59.51	
M.V. & Trailer excise	14,686.44	

Aid to Highways		
State	31,422.48	
County	6,000.00	37,422.48
Underestimates		
County Tax		496.21
Due from County		
County Dog Officer	36.00	
Wild Cat Bounty	40.00	76.00
		$232,416.42

Tax Title & Possessions	5,903.02	
Departmental	631.61	
State & Co. Aid to Hwys.	37,422.48	58,703.06
Appropriation balances		
Plotting Assessors' Map	1,236.53	
Equalization of Valuation	1,240.47	
Purchase of Truck	4,500.00	
Civil Defense	83.98	
Chap. 90 Construction	3,271.46	
Chap. 718	3,773.23	
Repair & Paint Schell Bridge	10,589.22	
Highland Circuit	250.00	
Damages	200.00	
Cemetery Filing System	94.25	25,239.14
Surplus Revenue		99,958.26
		$232,416.42

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 48,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$ 48,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds	
Cash and Securities	
In custody of Treasurer	$63,960.54
In custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In custody of Trustees	9,866.91
In custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$ 76,353.95

Elisha Alexander Charity	$ 2,020.00
Martha Alexander Charity	9,866.91
Lottie Evans Charity	994.54
George F. Morgan Charity	3,000.00
Roselle A. Evans Worthy Poor	500.00
Surplus Rev. School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School	1,250.00
Belcher Library	9,739.01
Montague Library	2,000.00
Dickinson Book	3,000.00
Cowles Cemetery	2,000.00
Belcher Cemetery	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500.00
Mary Callender Cemetery	500.00
West Nfld. Cemetery	8.870.00
P.C. Cemetery Funds	
In custody of Treasurer	13,899.75
In custody of Selectmen	303.00
In custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	14,107.24
	$ 76,353.95

State Audit, Town of Northfield

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1957

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash,		$130,165.12
Accounts Receivable:		
Levy of 1954:		
Personal Property	$ 71.90	
Real Estate	87.50	
		159.40
Levy of 1955:		
Personal Property	249.34	
Real Estate	745.60	
		994.94
Levy of 1956:		
Poll	20.00	
Personal Property	449.00	
Real Estate	4,009.60	
		4,478.60
Levy of 1957:		
Poll	190.00	
Personal Property	1,409.28	
Real Estate	23,299.43	
		24,898.71

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$ 1,208.04	
County Retirement System	246.71	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	333.45	
		$1,788.20
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		20.55
Trust Fund Income:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	621.21	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	350.85	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	157.96	
Belcher Center School Fund	107.22	
Belcher Library Fund	277.53	
Maude Montague Library Fund	154.47	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	30.47	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	325.06	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	362.17	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	62.01	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	48.74	
		2,497.69

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1955	850.79	
Levy of 1956	4,061.31	
Levy of 1957	7,645.84	
		12,557.94
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1957		45.13
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	4,666.09	
Tax Possessions	1,441.81	
		6,107.90
Departmental:		
Sidewalk Construction	112.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	394.81	
		507.19
Aid to Highways:		
State	23,730.40	
County	4,500.00	
		28,230.40
Underestimate 1957:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment		31.84
Old Age Assistance Recovery		70.66
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	125.08	
Assistance	770.58	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	480.16	
Aid	835.15	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	1,421.67	
Assistance	9,166.82	
		12,799.46
School Lunch Fund		1,564.45
Appropriation Balances:		
Assessors' Maps	1,356.53	
Civil Defense	340.44	
Truck Purchase	6,500.00	
Highways, Chapter 718	547.03	
Land-Highland Circuit	250.00	
Damages	200.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	94.25	
Grave Markers	50.00	
		9,338.25
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,896.12
Road Machinery Fund		5,971.42

Due from County:			Overestimate 1957:		
			County Tax		86.04
Dog Officer Fees	36.00		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		7,763.02
Wild Cat Bounty	20.00				
		56.00	Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
			Levy of 1954	159.40	
			Levy of 1955	994.94	
			Levy of 1956	2,448.55	
			Levy of 1957	2,720.01	
					6,322.90
			Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
			Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	12,557.94	
			Farm Animal Excise	45.13	
			Tax Title and Possession	6,107.90	
			Departmental	507.19	
			Aid to Highway	28,230.40	
					47,448.56
			Surplus Revenue		109,405.85
		$208,233.17			$208,233.17

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$51,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$51,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	
In Custody of Treasurer	63,574.07
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,796.91
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50
	$75,897.48

In Custody of Treasurer:		
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	951.10	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	500.00	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00	
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00	
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3,000.00	
Maude Montague Library Fund	2,000.00	
James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8,870.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	13,674.75	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	13,989.21	
		63,574.07
In Custody of Selectmen:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	2,020.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	303.00	
		2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees:		
Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund		9,796.91
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		203.50
		$75,897.48

Dickinson Library Report

Serving on the Board of Trustees of the Library during the year 1958-59 were the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, chairman; Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells, secretary; Mr. Luman A. Barber; Mr. William H. Hawley; and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the Town Meeting on March 3, 1958, Mrs. Hatheway was reelected and Mr. Hawley was elected, each to fill regular three-year terms.

During the past year the Board has met regularly on the first Wednesday of every month, with the exception of August, at 7:30 p.m. in the Library. The members have endeavored to carry on faithfully the administration of the policies and finances, and to keep up the high standards of maintenance of the building and grounds. Work has been commenced on the development of a set of By-Laws and a Statement of Personnel Policies for the Library and will be continued until completion during this coming year.

On April 10, 1958, Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Hatheway represented the Library at the all-day Town and County Government Conference in Greenfield, bringing back a number of suggestions which may be adapted for the improvement of our Library. One of these, a new service for shut-ins and others who may be unable to get to the Library has already been initiated. The following persons have volunteered as 'Friends of the Library' and are co-operating with Mrs. Phelps, Librarian, and Mrs. Cook, Assistant Librarian, under the sponsorship of the Trustees, in providing this service: Mrs. Stanley Bistrek, Mrs. Norman Fowler, Mrs. Arnold Haack, Mrs. David Hammond, Miss Alice Mundee, Mrs. Henry Prescott, Mrs. Alvin Scott and Mrs. Gilbert Stacy. Anyone within the Town of Northfield may have the benefit of this service by calling the Library.

A new stand for the large dictionary, made according to detailed specifications for the greatest convenience of users, of oak to match the other Library furniture, has been added to the equipment.

The Trustees wish to take this opportunity to commend the Librarian and her Assistant for the continuing excellence of their service to the community.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman

LILLIAN G. WELLS, Secretary

Librarian's Report

Report of the Librarian to the trustees of Dickinson Memorial Library.

Total circulation of books and magazines for the year 1958 shows an increase of 1414 over the year 1957. Figures for the different departments follow:

Adult books, fiction	7683
Adult books, non-fiction	3091
Juvenile books, fiction	8981
Juvenile books, non-fiction	3659
Magazines, adult	1817
Magazines, juvenile	360
Bookmobile books, adult	2265
Bookmobile books, juvenile	1816
Interlibrary loan	6
	29,678
1957	28,264
Increase	1,414

Books added to our collection:

By purchase, adult fiction	95
By purchase, adult non-fiction	62
By purchase, juvenile fiction	66
By purchase, juvenile non-fiction	50
Gifts to the library	147
Books returned after reported lost	4
Total	424
Books withdrawn, by loss, etc.	48

Books loaned to us by the State Bookmobile	1879
Loaned in other parts of town	879
Loaned to us by the Field Memorial Library	30

Our library has on loan to the Regional Library Center a collection of 64 volumes.

The sum of $171.54 has been collected in fines for overdue books for damaged or lost books, during the year, and turned over to the town treasurer, Mr. Charles Slate.

The library has 559 adult registrations and 410 juvenile, a total of 969. Thirteen non-residents paid $1.00 for the use of the library for one year.

Most outstanding gifts of books were from the following friends of the library: Mrs. Grace Birdsall; Mrs. Lois McEwan; Mrs. Edith Aldrich; Mrs. Jean Hatheway; Mrs. Sophie Servaes; Mrs. Maude Wood; Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Sanderson; Mr. Merritt Skilton; Northfield School for Girls; and The Northfield Teacher's Club.

Exhibits of the year: Mrs. Constantine George showed costume dolls, finger knitting, hand weaving, and ceramics, in January. In February, Mr. William Hawley had a fine display from his large collection of Lincolniana. In June, eleven paintings of extinct birds of America, was displayed. One of the 23 units from the Ford Times Collection, Mr. Douglas Jones was instrumental in getting this exhibit for the library. In October, an exhibit of sea shells, by Mrs. Esther Leonard; Mrs. Grace Browning, Carol Waaser and Mrs. Phelps. In November, Miss Amy Hamilton displayed a part of her fine collection of buttons.

National Library Week was observed March 16-22, with a special program for the week. Open House was held Wednesday afternoon and evening, March 19th. Mrs. Gwendolyn Leavis served as chairman of the citizen's committee, with the following members: Mrs. Virginia Haack, Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Mrs. Marjorie Prescott; Mrs. Gladys Bistrek; Mrs. Dorothy Hammond; and the librarians, Mrs. Florence Phelps and Mrs. Evangeline Cook. A note-book with a full account of the events of the week is on record.

In July and August, a Summer Reading Program was held with 26 children participating. At the close of the program a party was held in the Assembly Room, with games and refreshments sponsored by the librarians, assisted by Mrs. Virginia Haack. Miss Cornelia Church of the Regional Library Center, Greenfield, showed the film, 'The Pony.'

During the year, the fifth and sixth grades, comprising about 98 students were given instruction by the librarian, Mrs. Phelps, in the use of the catalog file and how to locate books on the shelves. The classes were held in the morning before the library was open to the public.

In June, Miss Gwendolyn Vannah, from the Regional Library Center, Greenfield, told stories to the kindergarten classes of Center School; and a Story Hour was held in the library, December 30th, with Miss Joyce Fuller of Northfield Farms, a teacher in the Greenfield School System, as story-teller, with 18 children present.

A complete list of the historical relics on the second floor, library

furnishings, pictures, etc., exclusive of books was made for reference and insurance purposes.

Since I am retiring as librarian this year, this will be my last report. I wish to extend my grateful appreciation to my assistant, Mrs. Evangeline Cook, to the janitor, and to my trustees for their helpful assistance and cooperation during my librarianship.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE H. PHELPS, Librarian

Report of Dog Officer

A total of 66 calls were made. 41 of these were for stray dogs, with no collars or tags. They were boarded and destroyed. 8 dogs were claimed by owners. 4 were run over by cars and had to be disposed of. This is a total of 53 dogs, the other 13 calls were made to owners about their pets causing disturbances and annoying people.

Perhaps you are wondering why there are so many strays. The law says all dogs must wear collars with name plates and license tags at all times. If they have only a collar they are strays and can be destroyed.

People get small puppies but when they get larger and can't be allowed in the house they are allowed to run at large making a nuisance of themselves. Not all these dogs are unlicensed but the majority of them are. Most of them are females. The licensed dogs that roam the streets all day and part of the night are of no value to their owners, and make poor pets.

Please, dog owners, put collars, tags and name plates on your dog to save trouble and expense to yourself and the town.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT L. GIBSON, Dog Officer

Fire Chief's Report

The Northfield Fire Department answered a total of 51 calls during the past year. The summary of the calls answered is as follows:

Grass and brush fires	20
House fires	8
Chimney fires	11
Automobile	1
Mutual Aid	5
Resuscitator	1
Miscellaneous	5

Various activities of the department included another Fire Fighting Course conducted by Capt. Leslie Ackerman of the Greenfield Fire Department. This school ended with a visit to Meadow Wood Fire Department at Fitzwiliam, N. H., where actual fire conditions can be duplicated to train our men.

I wish to thank everyone for their cooperation during the past year and a special thanks to the Salvation Army for their services at our fires.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. M. DUNNELL JR., Fire Chief

Report of Forest Warden

This past year has been quite a fortunate year as forest fires were concerned.

673 permits were issued for the past year.

20 grass or brush fires had to be extinguished. None of these turned out to be serious but most of them could have been if it had not been for the quick response of your fire department and their advanced training in handling such situations. Most of these fires occurred because the persons burning had insufficient man power and equipment to handle their fires.

Remember you are required by state law to obtain a permit for any outdoor fire.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS,
Forest Warden

Tree Warden Report

During 1958 27 trees were removed from our streets and highways. Also 50 large trees were trimmed, as well as several for road clearance. A large number of trees still need to be removed or trimmed.

26 new shade trees wre planted along our streets and highways. These were Norway Maples, Rock Maples, Marion Locust, and Red Oak. They were planted on Mt. Hermon Road, Caldwell Road, Moody Street, North Lane, Pine Street, Glenwood Ave., Warwick Ave., St. Mary's Street, Old Ferry Road, East Street, Upper Farms, Lower Farms and Cross Road.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON, Tree Warden

Report of Moth Superintendent

Two days were spent scouting for Gypsy Moth in 1958. No infested areas were found even where egg clusters were found in 1957.

450 gallons of 10% D.D.T. and 55 pounds of Milky Disease Spores were used to combat Japanese Beetles. While the Milky Disease Spores are slow acting they offer a more permanent control than other insecticides that are faster acting but give only temporary control. The Department of Natural Resources furnished 200 gallons of D.D.T. emulsion.

200 gallons of 24D5T were used to control poison ivy.

During 1958 139 diseased elm trees were removed and burned. These trees were located as follows: 15 East Northfield, 45 Northfield Farms, 47 West Northfield, and 32 in Northfield. While these figures indicate that the condition is serious it is not hopeless. Marked improvement can be achieved if we follow a program which includes the following: 1. Early detection of diseased trees, 2. Immediate removal of diseased trees, 3. Adequate sprays, 4. Public cooperation in notifying the Tree Warden of any suspicious trees.

In 1958 250 gallons of 12% D.D.T. were used as a dormant spray in May and June. 500 gallons of 6% D.D.T. were used to control the leaf eating insects. 186 samples were taken and sent the University of Massachusetts for culture. Of this number 117 were found positive. A total of 165 trees should be removed and burned before April 1, 1959. These trees are located as follows: 57 Northfield, 18 East Northfield, 34 West Northfield, and 56 Northfield Farms.

Respectfully submitted

JOSEPH S. BILMON, Moth Superintendent

Report of Public Health Nurse

Home visits made in 1958:

Non-communicable	1,003
Acute communicable	44
Tuberculosis	49
Maternity	40
Infants and pre-school	81
Adults	633
Total	1,850

The annual Well Child Clinic was held on June 19 and 20 with Dr. William Buchannan, Jr., of Greenfield, Pediatrician. Fifty-six pre-school children were present. Two were referred to Crippled Children's Clinic and two for speech therapy. Dental cavities appeared to be the most prevalent defect.

A boy and girl enjoyed a month each at Greenfield Health Camp and a third child was sent to a special camp for handicapped children.

A class in Civil Defense First Aid was taught from which forty-one adults were graduated. An advance course is planned for 1959.

The Health program for the summer playground was supervised with only minor scratches being reported.

Blood bank, sponsored by the Red Cross, collected sixty pints of blood. The affair was conducted as usual, in the Congregational Church with local volunteer medical personnel, and lunch for the workers served by the Grange.

Several in-service lectures were participated in during the year as well as attendance at Teacher's Convention at Greenfield High School.

In closing I would like to express my appreciation to the Fortnightly whose members gave much time helping at the clinics. The Kiwanis Club made it possible for two children to attend summer camp, as well as helping in several emergencies. I would also like to thank all Town Officials who have been most cooperative.

Respectfully submitted

MARIAN C. BILLINGS, R.N.

Board of Health Report

During the year the following list of contagious diseases was reported to the Board of Health:

14 Dog Bite, 90 Measles, 3 German Measles, 3 Scarlet Fever, 9 Mumps, 5 Chicken Pox.

The Board of Health assisted in the hospital care of one premature baby at a total expenditure of $40.75.

Respectfully submitted,

CORYS M. HESELTON, Chairman
Board of Health

Civil Defense Director's Report

The entire staff participated in operation "Big Burst" on March 10th and also in operation alert 1958 or "Operation Opal" on May 6 and 7, a state wide exercise.

In conjunction with this last exercise the CD First Aid class participated in an actual Field Trial which involved moving our mobile First Aid station under police escort, from the Dickinson Library where it is stored, to the Bernardston Elementary School where there was a simulated boiler explosion and casualties were treated. This exercise was a complete success, and received state-wide recognition in C. D. News. It was a surprise exercise and proof that this First Aid Class could and would operate efficiently under actual disaster conditions.

The two-way radio voted at last Town Meeting has been installed at the Fire Station and training exercises are being held on Tuesday evenings for communications personnel, practicing inter-communication with Sector 4D headquarters in Greenfield and other county towns.

Radiac equipment has been received and a training course will be given by Sidney Given, radiac officer, during the coming year.

Work is progressing on a Survival Plan for Northfield, and we wish to thank the Pioneer Valley Regional School for their assistance in typing the Draft for same.

Mrs. Billings and Mrs. Goodwin are now conducting an advanced First Aid course for those who successfully completed the course last year.

Mrs. Kehl completed a course in CD welfare work during the past year.

As of January 31, 1959, the Ground Observer Corps is officially dissolved, since improvements in radar have made it unnecessary.

Mr. Emory Rickert, chief observer since August 1955, and a faithful worker for many years, deserves the gratitude of the town for his leadership in this important phase of CD, as long as it was necessary.

We wish to thank all those who have participated in CD work during the past year and urge your continued support.

HORACE F. FIELD

Revaluation for Equalization Committee Report

Progress has been made toward the equalization program. Nine hundred approved questionnaires have been mailed to all property owners with a return of approximately 20% to date. Seven hundred twenty are still to be returned.

Equality of assessed values will be greatly facilitated by the promptness of these returns so that equalization can be completed and ready for use in the 1960 tax assessments.

If any help is needed in filling out these questionnaires the assessors are very glad to be consulted.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Cemetery Commissioners Report, 1958

The several cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year. Another one of the trees in the Center Cemetery had to be removed, because of the danger of its falling and damaging headstones and monuments in the immediate area.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT FOR 1958

CENTER CEMETERY

Ernest Kenney	$1,886.90	Elton B. Kinsman	8.00
Maurice B. Flanders	152.10	Central Vt. Railway Inc.	5.00
Northfield Water Company	12.00	David G. Quinn	75.00
Millers Tire Service	26.12	Kidder and Company	26.25
Stanley E. Johnson	6.23		
James L. Neigh	23.77		$2,221.37

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Carlton W. Holton	7.00	John Stacey	161.75
Niles Stone	7.00		
Melvin Miller	10.00		$267.25
Owen Stacey	81.50		

NORTHFIELD FARMS AND SOUTH MOUNTAIN CEMETERIES

Norman E. Whitney, Inc.	5.00	Francis Fisher	10.00
Murray M. Hammond	267.24		
Harold Hammond, Jr.	90.02		$372.26

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman

OWEN G. STACEY

MURRAY M. HAMMOND
Cemetery Commissioners

RECEIVED FOR THE SALE OF LOTS 1958

Name	*Cemetery*	*Lot No.*	*Price*
George W. Hayes	W. Nfld.	206&211	70.00
Virgina Ballantyne	Mt. Hermon	A38	25.00
Merle & Louise Jones	Farms	40&88½	40.00
William Durante	Farms	22	25.00
Charles F. Tuttle	Center		15.00
Robert Whitney	Farms	111½	25.00
Hubert Dutton	Farms	108½	15.00
			$215.00
	1957 Paid to the Town of Northfield		40.00
	1958 Paid to the Town of Northfield		175.00
			$215.00

Planning Board

In the early months of 1958 much work was done by the Planning Board on some proposed new town by-laws, with the purpose in mind of preserving the beauty and value of our town. Because full zoning by-laws could not be prepared in a short time, and because it was felt that the selectmen should have more power to control building than they now have, it was proposed by the town counsel and urged by the selectmen that a new by-law establishing building permits for Northfield be prepared and presented at town meeting. Such a by-law was written by the town counsel, presented at a public hearing, and then put before the voters at the March town meeting. This was turned down. We feel this was due to misunderstanding on the part of the voters, and we hope that in the future we may make ourselves better understood. With this in mind we have met several times this year, and after studying by-laws that have been acceptable in other similar towns, have prepared a tentative set of by-laws and have sent them to the state planning board for their suggestions and advice. We hope to have a satisfactory set of by-laws ready to present to the town in the near future.

Respectfully submitted

F. WILTON DEAN, Chairman
MRS. AGNES HAMMOND
L. PERCY GOODSPEED
HARVEY E. HATHEWAY
A. GORDON MOODY

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on March 27, 1958 with Charles Llewelyn as Chairman and Harry A. Erickson as secretary. The Committee held seven meetings and considered and recommended specific amounts on all financial matters coming before the Town.

Transfers from the $3,000 Reserve Fund and $25.00 Expense Account were authorized as follows:

June	30 —Insurance premium	$355.45
November	11—Dutch Elm	600.00
November	11—Tax Collector's expense	50.00

November	24—*Clock* and Fountain	130.00
December	22—Snow removal	462.45
December	22—Town Hall	469.00
December	22—Elections	42.65
December	22—Fire Department	260.00
December	22—Clock and *Fountain*	130.46
January	2—Snow removal	42.38
January	2—Fire Department	68.45
January	2—Maintenance Fire Dep't.	49.33
January	2—Inspection of animals	20.35
	Total	$2,680.52
	Balance	319.48
June	30—Expense Account	
	Fee for Finance Association	15.00
	Stationery	8.75
	Postage	1.20
	Balance	24.95
	Balance	.05

CHARLES W. LLEWELYN, Chairman
HARRY A. ERICKSON, Secretary
ROGER M. GREENWOOD
HERBERT H. MAYNARD
DONALD SNOW
WALLACE E. STANGE

The Finance Committee recommend the following salary changes as authorized by the vote of the Town on Article 47 of the Annual Town Meeting March 4, 1958.

	Increase	Total
Town Clerk	$ 50.00	$550.00
Tax Collector	250.00	1,000.00
Chairman Selectmen	50.00	375.00
Treasurer	50.00	950.00
Town Accountant	50.00	1,000.00

HARRY A. ERICKSON, Sec.
Jan. 26, 1959

Veterans' Agent Report

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Massachusetts

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County

District Veterans Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1958:

1.	Active Service Problems	128
2.	Bonus	109
3.	Compensation	225
4.	Death Benefits	299
5.	Discharges	227
6.	Education	106
7.	Employment	309
8.	Finance	384
9.	Housing	39
10.	Insurance	122
11.	Legal	211
12.	Loans	59
13.	Medical	912
14.	Notarizations	48
15.	Pension	478
16.	Photostats	3,814
17.	Recordings	61
18.	Selective Service	172
19.	Social Security	92
20.	Taxes	519
21.	Veterans Benefits	7,976
22.	Vital Statistics	402
23.	Unclassified	1,509
	Total Contacts	18,201

The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women of any war under the jurisdiction of this district unit. The number of requests by the veterans of Northfield were in proportion to those of other member towns.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield rendered assistance to three families representing seven persons during the year 1958. One of these cases was of a permanent nature with the remaining two classified as temporary. This resulted in expenditures of $807.67 with an estimated reimbursement of $403.83 to be made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted

HOMER L. GAMELIN, Veterans' Agent

School Committee Report

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1958

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Irving Lawrence	Term expires 1959
Evelyn True, Secretary	Term expires 1961

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 10:00 A.M. at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. — Harvard M.Ed.
Boston University — University of Massachusetts
Office, Pioneer Valley Regional School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Ann P. James

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1959-1960)

Schools Open January 5, 1959	Close February 20, 1959
Schools Open March 2, 1959	Close April 17, 1959
Schools Open April 27, 1959	Close June 12, 1959
Schools Open September 9, 1959	Close December 23, 1959
Schools Open January 4, 1960	Close February 19, 1960

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my eleventh annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1958. This is the 222nd report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Enrollments

In June, when the thirty-six pupils in Grade Six were promoted to the Pioneer Valley Regional School, the last single room to a grade was past. In September, the forty-eight six graders were divided into two sections. At the present time, we have two sections of each grade, and a morning and afternoon section of the kindergarten. Consulting the census reports, it appears that this will be the pattern for some time to come. Grade two and three, with sixty-three each, could be trouble spots before they reach grade seven.

The enrollment of the various grades as of December 21, 1958, is as follows:

Kindergarten	40
Grade one	42
Grade two	63
Grade three	63
Grade four	49
Grade five	44
Grade six	48
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The enrollment of the various rooms is as follows:

Kindergarten (Smithers)	40
Grade one (Bolton)	21
Grade one (Thomas)	21
Grade two (Haack)	31
Grade two (North)	32
Grade three (Stebbins)	31
Grade three (LaClaire)	32
Grade four (Sheldon)	26
Grade four (Miles)	23
Grade five (Parker)	21
Grade five (Barry)	23
Grade six (Moran)	24
Grade six (Morell)	24
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TEACHERS

Changes in Personnel

Mrs. Jean E. Kozlowski	June 13, 1958
Miss Nola Skillings	August 5, 1958
Mrs. Helen Gorzocoski	June 13, 1958

Appointments

Mrs. Judith E. Miles, B.S.E., North Adams State Teachers' College—Grade four.

Mrs. Janet S. Barry, North Adams Normal School-Teacher, Houghton School, North Adams, ten years—Grade five.

Mr. Ernest J. Moran, B.S.E., Keene Teachers' College—Grade six.

Mr. Roger J. Morell, B.A., University of Massachusetts—Grade six.

REPAIRS

During the summer, the lower southwest room in the former High School building was renovated, and is being used for one section of Grade Four. In the Center School is housed the Kindergarten, Grades One, Two, Three, and one section of Grade Four. The former High School building houses the other section of grade Four, and Grades Five and Six. The main room has been equipped with opaque curtains and is used for visual aids and assembly programs. The former home economics room is being used as a store room and band practice. Thus, all the available space left by grades seven to twelve has been put to actual and needed uses.

During the summer, the roofs of both buildings were thoroughly gone over and made completely water tight. A giant wave swing was added to the playground equipment by the P.T.A. The School Committee wishes to express its thanks for this gift. During the installation of the swing, the other pieces of equipment were regrouped to be more useful to the children in each building. The basements in the former High School were redecorated.

Textbooks

This year, new textbooks were added in Grades Three, Five and Six, and social studies in Grades Three, Four, and Six. The large enrollment in Grade Three means that about fourteen copies of every textbook of the grade must be purchased as they progress.

School Cafeteria

During the year, 41,865 student lunches, 2,057 adult lunches, and 13,239 additional bottles of milk were served. About ninety percent of the pupils take part in the program. I quote from the report of Miss Marjorie Cowles, Field Representative of the State School Lunch Program, following her visit to Northfield on November 19, 1958. "The meal served on day of visit, met the Type "A"

Meal Pattern requirements. The reviewer went over the menus planned for the week, in order to insure that sufficient Protein was served. School Lunch personnel were observed in the process of meal preparation and servings to children, and were found to be most cooperative and interested in the success of the overall Program. Sanitary procedures and dishwashing facilities are excellent. Kitchen facilities and equipment are excellent. Cooperation between School Lunch personnel and School officials is to be commended."

Our cafeteria staff, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Ms. Loretta Peterson, and Mrs. Esther Clough, deserve the credit for this fine report.

Instrumental Music

The instrumental classes, under the direction of Mr. Eugene Gancarz, continue to grow and prosper. On Memorial Day, this group made a very commendable contribution to the program.

Finances

On the page discussing State Aid and Net Cost of Education, an attempt is made to separate the cost of the elementary school from the total school cost. At the same time, the reimbursements that come to the town because of the regional school are subtracted. This method would indicate that the cost of education had decreased by $12,019.61. This is the only way to get any figures that could be compared with any past figures. This gives a per pupil figure of $135.16. This figure compares very favorably with the costs of our neighboring schools. However, the town pays its share of both schools. At the bottom of the same page, those figures are so stated. Total costs, $173,143.41; State Reimbursements, $48,473.48; Percentage of reimbursement, 28%; and net cost to the town of $124,669.93, and a net cost per pupil of $233.46. Being the first fiscal year of operation, there are no figures with which to make comparisons. Also, a very definite way must be devised for taking care of reimbursements, credits, and balances. Furthermore, in that reimbursements change with the fluctuating state financial picture, not only in amount but in time of payment, it is most difficult. The few comparisons that we can make show our costs to be low in line with the general practice of the state.

The reimbursements for 1959 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1958	$34,131.25
Transportation	11,400.00
Vocational Transportation	203.00
Vocational Tuition	479.92
Superintendent Salary & Travel	1,304.23
State Wards	400.00
	$47,918.40

In Union 18 the school housing problem which has been uppermost for the past ten years has been sufficiently solved to allow us to turn our attention to the primary purpose of education, "To develop each child to the maximum of his abilities."

Among the many and varied problems is the amount of time given to formal education. In man's race for outer space and all its accompanying problems, we can easily see that our pupils need more time in school. A longer school day, a longer school year, or both will need our study and adoption. Likewise, it would be well for us to make greater use of the fine facilities now available to us.

From many, carefully conducted studies it is apparent that much failure in school stems from pupil immaturity. Pupils are individuals and, therefore, maturity varies with each child. We also find that failure due to immaturity is difficult to help, even after being recognized. Our entering age levels should be carefully studied to assure us that our pupils may be able to do the work that must be taught to them.

Our curriculum needs constant revision, keeping abreast of the changing needs in our changing world. Federal Law 85-864, passed last year, after many years of debate and study, focuses attention, at the elementary level, on the teaching of science, mathematics, foreign language, and the need for guidance personnel. Last year our mathematics program was studied and new text books adopted to implement our findings. On January 28, 1959, a study of our science program will be introduced by a science workshop for teachers at the Gill Elementary School. Some of the larger school systems have made fine progress in the teaching of foreign language in the elementary school. Their findings will be of great value for our consideration. This problem might find solution on a union basis.

Education is a cooperative effort of school, pupil, parents and community. The greater the understanding, the greater the prospects for success.

We welcome you to visit our classrooms at any time as well as at special events. We most heartily recommend parent-teacher conferences at the school after school hours when the teacher can give full attention to the problem and where the work, achievements and records are available for study. A telephone call to the Principal or teacher will easily make such appointments.

I wish to express my appreciation for the continued cooperation and assistance of the School Committee, Principals, Teachers, Secretarial Staff and other workers of the school, Parents and Townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER,

Superintendent

Report of School Organization

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal	Fitchburg Normal School *University Extension
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B.A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M.A.
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal School *University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers' College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institute of Technology *Leslie College Extension *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Ruby North	Grade 2	*Greenfield Commercial School Bay Path Institute *Fitchburg Normal School
Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	Lowell Teachers' College, B.S.
Clarissa LaClaire	Grade 3	Wheaton College *University of Massachusetts
Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal School
Judith E. Miles	Grade 4	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S.E.
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S. *Boston University
Janet S. Barry	Grade 5	North Adams Normal School
Ernest Moran	Grade 6	Keene Teachers' College, B.E.
Roger Morell	Grade 6	University of Massachusetts, B.A.
Marian C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Bessie Moore	Art Supervisor	Fitchburg Normal School Columbia University, B.S., M.A.
Dorothy Eccles	Music Supervisor	New England Conservatory *Boston University Summer School
Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
William Messer	Physical Education	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Eleanor Smiley	Physical Education	Arnold College, B.S.

*Attended without graduation

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler

John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Loretta Peterson

Mrs. Esther Clough

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

	Appro. 1958	Expended 1958	Recommended 1959
Superintendent's Salary	$ 1,785.00	$ 1,730.00	$ 1,875.00
Out-of-State Travel	35.00	25.50	35.00
Administration Expense	180.00	180.00	180.00
Clerk	554.00	514.98	580.00
Salaries, Teachers	56,299.00	54,660.10	60,695.00
Supervisor, Music	900.00	882.00	950.00
Supervisor, Art	650.00	610.56	685.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	1,600.28	1,500.00
Supplies, Student	1,000.00	1,049.41	1,200.00
Supplies, Janitor	500.00	876.87	750.00
Salaries, Janitor	4,900.00	4,834.29	5,100.00
Fuel	3,000.00	3,125.63	3,100.00
Water and Current	1,400.00	1,334.32	1,400.00
Repairs	500.00	802.49	500.00
New Equipment	500.00	435.17	500.00
Medical, Physician	350.00	350.00	350.00
Nurse	700.00	700.00	700.00
Tuition, Vocational	520.00	979.72	500.00
Transportation	13,555.00	13,392.20	14,000.00
Transportation, Vocational	360.00	468.50	400.00
Sundry Education	700.00	524.04	500.00
Special Project	1,000.00	929.00	1,000.00
Corner Room Redecoration	500.00	653.48	
Totals	$91,388.00	$91,108.54	$97,000.00

Returned to Town Treasury—$279.46

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Operational Basis

Year	Total Expenditures	State Aid and Other Receipts	%	Net Cost of Education
1946	44,768.61	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02
1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13
1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901.72
1955	99,898.66	39,553.74	39.6	60,344.92
1956	108,635.00	43,401.70	40	65,233.30
1957	102,697.00	43,506.74	42.4	59,190.26
1958	91,108.54	43,937.89*	48.2	47.170.65

NET COST OF SCHOOLS IN 1958*

Expenditures			91,108.54
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:			
Chapter 70 as amended 1958 Chapter 643		$29,679.35*	
Vocational Tuition		277.40	
Transportation		11,159.68	
Vocational Transportation		974.07	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation		403.77	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel		1,220.54*	
Maintenance, Voc. School, Adult Education		178.78	
Interest, School Surplus Fund		44.30	
Total			43,937.89
Net Cost of Education 1958*			47,170.65
1957 Net Cost of Education	$59,190.26		
1958 Net Cost of Education	47,170.65		
Net Decrease	12,019.61		
Net Cost Per Pupil Fiscal Year 1958		$135.16	

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Including Reimbursements Because of Regional School

1958	173,143.41	48,473.48	28.0	124,669.92
Net Cost Per Pupil Fiscal Year 1958			$233.46	

*Does not include reimbursements. because of Pioneer Valley Regional School

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims) January 1, 1958			$2,279.77
Cash Balance		$1,062.29	
RECEIPTS:			
Student Lunches	$8,357.60		
Adult Lunches	617.10		
Milk	397.17		
Government Reimbursement	4,966.40		
Other	258.04		
Total Receipts		14,596.31	
Total Cash		15,658.60	

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	8,968.97		
Labor	4,504.07		
Other	222.56		
Equipment	200.00		
Total Disbursements		13,895.60	
Cash Balance		$ 1,763.00	
Cash Balance	$1,763.00		
Inventory	422.82		
U. S. D. A. Claims (Nov.)	384.01		
(Dec.)	433.43		
Net Worth, December 31, 1958			$3,003.26

Report on School Census
(October 1, 1958)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	103	116	219
Between ages 5 and 7	30	48	78
Between ages 7 and 14	164	174	338
Between ages 14 and 16	47	42	89
Total	344	380	724

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1958

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	15	17	32	38	19	22	20	163
Girls	26	24	30	28	29	23	27	187
Total	41	41	62	66	48	45	47	350

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls
Center School	163	187
Pioneer Valley Regional School	92	92
American School for Deaf	0	1
Bement School	6	3
Greenfield High School	0	1
Mount Hermon School	11	0
Northfield School for Girls	0	19
Goodwill Home	1	0
Hampden duBase Academy	2	0
Bob Jones University	1	0

Winchester, N. H.	1	0	
Hartford, Conn.	0	1	
Total	277	304	
Grand Total			581

Report of the Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of Northfield:

I herewith submit my twelfth annual report for the Center School.

We have now completed one school year and started another having the use of two buildings to house our approximately three hundred fifty pupils. An additional room has been added allowing us two rooms for each of the six grades and one for kindergarten which has two groups each day.

An exceptionally fine staff of teachers (listed elsewhere) give our boys and girls educational opportunities that have not been possible in the past when our classrooms were so crowded, although we still have extra large second and third grades.

Our assembly hall that seemed to hold such promise of all gatherings for programs, visual education, and other group activities proved too small for our large enrollment. We separated into three groups for assemblies to be held at regular intervals and each room or grade takes its part, kindergarten and first and second grades in one group, third and fourth together, with the fifth and sixth grades making the third. Some fine programs, both by the pupils and by special speakers, have been both interesting and educational.

The Open House during American Education Week with the typical lunch, PTA meeting, and visits with the teachers in the classrooms was very well attended. Excellent response was shown when an impromptu "walk-through open house" was held after school one afternoon for parents and friends to view the attractive and creative Christmas displays made by the children for their rooms.

Many parents have accepted the opportunity of making appointments with the teachers for after-school conferences, as well as the always available visit during regular daily sessions, which we feel has helped to bring about the continued interest, cooperation, and good will apparent as a result of this close contact.

The playground equipment has been rearranged with attention to the fact that the larger children are housed in the north building and a large ocean wave given by the PTA has been most enthusiastically enjoyed.

My duties as supervising principal printed in last year's report have continued about the same with more attention given to pupil guidance through group mental maturity testing in grades two and five and others who for some reason had no recent tests, and by conferences with individual pupils and parents in relation to behavior, health, mental, and social problems, both for prevention as well as correction.

The cooperation and interest of all associated with our Center School has been sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

Principal

Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of Northfield:

As Music Supervisor for the Northfield schools for a second year, I wish to say that the results of the past three terms are very gratifying to me.

Due to the excellent carry-over work during the week, and the cooperation of the homeroom teachers, we are progressing in an excellent manner.

The students in every grade are reading easily from their books, both musically and rhythmically. Individual work is done in every grade, and the children are proud to demonstrate their ability.

We have done many square dances and folk dances, which although fun to do, do teach rhythms in an interesting way.

The small chorus of thirty odd chosen singers are working hard to perfect a few numbers for a special program.

I'm sure the interest in school music will continue, making the future even better than my expectations.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY W. ECCLES

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee
of Northfield:

At the end of my second year as art supervisor in the Northfield Union, I feel that I can accurately report that much progress has been made in the development of a creative art program in all the schools.

Art is a vital means of expression which contributes to the total growth of all children and which helps make better adjusted and happier children. Few children of our schools now cry, "I can't." They like to experiment.

The art created by these children displayed on corridor and classroom walls has been enjoyed by parents and other interested citizens.

The librarian of the Northfield Public Library has been kind enough to exhibit the work of Union students.

Many teachers have achieved excellent group work—murals, mobiles, and stained glass windows. One class made and handsomely decorated kites which took the wind and sailed. The teachers have done creditable work in correlation with study units.

May I add, that I have found real enjoyment and great satisfaction in my work with the pupils and teachers with whom it has been my privilege to be associated.

Respectfully submitted,

BESSIE MOORE
Art Supervisor

Report of School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee
of Northfild:

I am glad to report a year of good health among our pupils.

The required Massachusetts Vision Tests were administered to all pupils in grades 1—6. Eight children failed to pass this screening test and proper referrals were made.

Physical examinations on all new students and members of grades one and five were done early in the fall by the school physician. Parents were notified of any defects found.

A new project was begun in March sponsored by the Franklin County Public Health Association. It consisted of Mantoux testing

all pupils and teachers who desired it to detect the possible presence of tuberculosis. A doctor and nurse from the State Department of Public Health did the testing and read results after securing consent slips from all those involved. From an enrollment of 342 pupils over 93% indicated permission to be tested. The refusals included nine families. Five positive reactors were discovered, one of whom has since moved. The remaining four and all contracts were x-rayed and all found to be negative.

The usual lecture and movie on "Personal Hygiene" was given to the older girls followed by a discussion period.

Hearing tests were completed in December with four failures which were immediately reported to the parents. Again I would like to stress the fact that these are only screening tests and the advice of a competent physician should be sought.

All pupils were weighed and measured in the fall and spring.

Interest in the dental program seems to be waning, in spite of every effort to make it attractive. Several children are receiving care at dental clinic. In May of 1958 only 53.4% of the total enrollment had dental certificates.

First Aid for minor injuries was given 206 children during the year.

All children having speech defects are under treatment.

Twenty-six youngsters came to Pre-school clinic in May.

I would like to express appreciation to all who have been most cooperative in assisting with my work. Members of the Fortnightly who help with clinics and the Kiwanis Club who have aided many needy families, have been especially helpful.

Respectfuly submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.
School Nurse

Report of School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of Northfield:

The activities of the school physician this year have consisted largely of physical examinations at school, and examinations at my office of those out of school for contagious diseases or for periods of 5 days or longer and also for questionable conditions found at school and referred to me for advice. There were only a few minor accidents at school this year.

A pre-school clinic was held April 12th at Center School for those entering school in the fall. Parents came with the children so that they could discuss any problems with the doctor or teachers.

In September the regular fall examinations were held. Fewer defects than usual were found, bad teeth being, as usual, the commonest defect found. Examination of the eyes and ears is performed by the school nurse and a few pupils were found badly in need of attention. A child who cannot see or hear well is seriously handicapped in school. Any such defect should receive immediate attention.

We have been little troubled by contagious disease in Northfield this year, though a few cases of mumps are now appearing.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.
School Physician

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation			$400.00
Expenditures:			
Labor:			
John D. Ware	128.77	128.77	
Repairs:			
Edward C. Bolton	115.00		
Northfield Washed Sand & Gravel Co.	34.50		
		149.50	
Supplies:			
Avery's Store	6.00		
Athletic Trainers Supply Co.	25.88		
Spencer Bros.	2.98		
J. L. Dunnell	2.40		
F. Sumner Turner	2.00		
		39.26	
Total Expenditures			317.53
Balance			82.47

Respectfully submitted,

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE
ROY J. FISH, Chairman
EVELYN U. TRUE, Secretary
IRVING J. LAWRENCE

The Committee recommends that $400.00 be appropriated for 1959.

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

School Committee

Wendell Streeter, Chairman	Bernardston
Albert Stoddard, Jr., Vice-Chairman	Warwick
Irving J. Lawrence	Northfield
William Hawley	Northfield
Robert P. Barnes	Northfield
Ellis Franklin	Bernardston
Mrs. Anna Wilcox	Bernardston
Charles A. Morse	Warwick
Arthur L. Bowers	Warwick

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick:

The Pioneer Valley Regional School has now been in operation for sixteen months. All of its facilities have been used. It has proven to be a most efficient, well planned, economical and easily maintained building as well as a beautiful building on a tremendous site. Many school, building and finance committees have visited our building and wished to obtain cost sheets and figures. The school personnel and student body are proud and have taken splendid care of their building. That fact has been noticed by all visiting committees.

The full report of its activities is too lengthy and detailed to ask the several towns to afford space in their town reports to print. This will be mimeographed at little cost to the school and given to any citizen of the towns who may wish a copy. Included in this report is a listing of the faculty, a few excerpts from the report of the Principal, and the financial report of the Treasurer.

Our curriculum is being carefully studied for improvements to better fit our students for the changing conditions of our world. At the moment three areas are receiving detailed study—the library—remedial reading and guidance. These studies will continue until all phases of the school have been covered.

I wish to thank the Principal, Teachers, other school personnel, and students for their splendid cooperation in making this first full year a grand success.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL
EXCERPTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I herewith submit my second report as principal of the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Our second year in operation has seen a great improvement in the entire educational program of our school. An improving attitude of study and a growing realization of the necessity of a fine education on the part of the students together with the completion of building facilities and the assignment of teachers to programs more in keeping with their training and interests has resulted in this improved condition.

It is most interesting to look back on the first few months of occupancy of our building and compare it with today's program. What was a somewhat confused situation due to the complete newness of the entire school and its program has developed into a smooth running routine. The students have grown with the program and as a result they act better, dress better, and accomplish more. Although the change has been great and noticeable, there still remains much to be done to make ours one of the best schools in the area.

Classroom and Subject Enrollment

In keeping with the general trend throughout the nation, we find that there is an increased interest in the academic subjects in our school. This was particularly true in the field of science. More than half of all the juniors and seniors elected to take either chemistry or physics. There have been some drop-outs in these courses but there remain more than 45% of the juniors and seniors taking these courses. Some courses have fewer than ten students enrolled but it is essential in most instances that these courses be conducted to enable these students to prepare themselves for the type of career they hope to follow in the future. In other subjects, steps will be taken to insure a more adequate expenditure of teacher time.

The classroom enrollments as of December 1 were as follows:

7A—28	8A—29	9A—31	10A 25	11A—23	Gr. 12	
7B—24	8B—24	9B—30	10B—24	11B—28	36	Boys 201
7C—28	8C—28	9C—15				Girls 172
T—80	T—81	T—76	T—49	T—51	T—36	Total 373

The enrollments as of December 1 from the towns are as follows:

Bernardston	112	Northfield	186
Greenfield	1	Warwick	44
Guilford	1		
Leyden	29	Total	373

General Building Condition

It is a pleasure and privilege to have the fine building that we have in a location that would be difficult to duplicate anywhere in our state. Our custodians deserve the utmost praise for their interest in and care of the building. They keep it in the best of condition and are most cooperative in their service to all personnel of the school. Visiting committees and individuals are always impressed by the bright clean look throughout the building.

Words of praise should be given our students for their excellent cooperation in keeping their school in the best of condition. Occasional damage is usually slight and due to some thoughtless moment or action. Most damages are discovered and the student required to replace or repair damages.

We have a fine group of teachers who are devoted to the task of teaching our children. They are willing to and do assist many students after school hours, during study halls, and at other times so that they may better understand their subjects. Through this type of help and the use of supervised study periods as a part of each classroom period, much will be accomplished.

More and more as the weeks go by we are convinced that Pioneer Valley Regional School is a well-planned school. Although it has an appearance of spaciousness and beauty, it is very practical and functional. The development and completion of the library and auditorium during the past year has aided materially in improving the overall educational program. Increased use is being made of all these facilities.

The Class of 1958

Byron Ward Beckwith
David Roger William Billings
David Lawrence Britton
*Nancy Elaine Coates
Julia Laurel Cram
James English Dresser, Jr.
John Andrew Fleming
Carol May Gerrish
Theodore Luther Gibson
Stephanie Horton
**Cora Jane Hurlburt
Sherwood Francis Lenois
Jerome Joseph Lessard
**Charlotte Elizabeth Marcotte
*John Peak Morgan
Nancy Lee Oakman
Elinor Joyce Powers
Russell Ernest Reed
Irving Britton Seager
Judith Ann Shippa
Audrey Ann Smith
David Wendell Streeter
Ellen Margaret Sullivan
John Harold Thayer
*Harry Clarence White
Alice Jean Williams

**with highest honor

*with high honor

It is always interesting and significant to know what the graduates of a school are doing. Eleven of our twenty-six graduates are now enrolled in schools of higher learning. This represents 42% of the class. Six of these eleven and a post graduate student are now enrolled in four-year colleges which include the University of Massachusetts (3), Syracuse University, Our Lady of the Elms, Providence Bible College, and Keene Teachers' College. Two students attend commercial colleges, one is at Stockbridge, School of Agriculture, one is in nurse's training and one at a technical school. Four boys have entered the service and the remaining eleven students are either working or have married.

Prizes and Awards

The following prizes, awards and honors were given during the course of the year:

D. A. R. Good Citizen—Nancy Coates.

Good Government Day Representative—David Billings; alternate, Marianne Smith

Boys' State Representatives—Richard Leach, Norman Deane, Curtis Shine

Girls' State Representatives—Dorothy Given, Rebecca Jackson

I Speak for Democracy—Sally Sheldon

Pioneer Valley Union Teachers Association ($175)—John Morgan

Baush & Lomb Science Award—Harry White

Massachusetts Scholarship Award—($300)—Harry White

Jenness Memorial Award (Excellence in English)—Charlotte Marcotte

Isaac B. Snow Awards (Two highest ranking students from Bernardston)—Charlotte Marcotte, Cora Hurlburt.

Bernardston P.T.A. Scholarship—($100)—Cora Hurlburt.

Problems

It is quite evident that although much progress has been made in improving the educational program of our students during the past year, much work needs to be done in a few areas. None of these can be accomplished unless there is full cooperation among students, parents and teachers.

The first of these is the necessity for a more serious attitude toward school work. A high percentage of our students are thoroughly interested in obtaining the best education possible. They have a healthy outlook on life and seem to have definite goals in view. Their work is praiseworthy and of high standing. This group is becoming larger but not at a rate that is desired. There are far too many boys and girls in school today who are present for the fun they can get out of it or because of law requirements. They never seem to take school work seriously and many times hinder others from getting the

education they desire. Much work and guidance needs to be done with this group so that the entire educational program will be improved.

A second area that needs improvement is in the preparation of homework assignments. There are few, if any, students who do not need to do some work each night at home. The better student and the student with college ambitions needs to spend at least an hour or two at home each evening uninterrupted by any outside influence. If this is true of the better students, it follows that all other students need to spend at least an equivalent amount of time. Only through the proper study atmosphere at home—the time, the place and the light necessary—can a student get himself into the habit of doing a good job of the daily preparation of his school work. This is not his responsibility alone, but needs parental control, guidance and cooperation.

In Conclusion

It has been most gratifying to have the fine support and cooperation of our Superintendent, Mr. Turner, the members of the school committee, teachers, students, and other personnel, and the parents and citizens of our fine towns. Through their continued fine support and cooperation we shall go forth to make Pioneer Valley Regional School an outstanding high school.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD, Principal

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

Name	Subjects	Where Educated
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Mr. Robert C. Upham	Assistant Principal Guidance U. S. History Problems of Democracy	Plymouth Teachers College, B.Ed. Columbia Teachers College, M.A. *Keene Teachers College *Syracuse University
Miss Evelyn Lawley	Assistant Principal Mathematics, Guidance	Smith College, A.B., A.M.
Mrs. Edith Aldrich	English, French	University of Massachusetts, B.S.
Mr. Conrad S. Bayley	English, Speech	Tufts University, A.B. *College of the City of New York *University of Massachusetts
Mr. John Callahan	Chemistry General Science	Keene Teachers College, B.Ed. Boston University, M.Ed.
Mr. Kenneth Cook, Jr.	Mathematics	*Wesleyan University Bates College, A.B. *Andover Newton Theological School

Name	Subjects	Where Educated
Mr. Eugene Gancarz	Band and Mathematics	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Homemaking	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Mr. William Messer	Physical Education Social Studies	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Mr. John Miles	English General Language Driver Education	Massachusetts State Teachers College B.S.Ed.
Mr. Brian L. Overdorff	Agriculture	*American International College University of Massachusetts, B.S.
Mr. Reinhold A. Rasmussen	Biology General Science	University of Massachusetts, B.S. *Keene Teachers College
Miss Eleanor Smiley	Physical Education Health, Science	Arnold College, B.S.
Mrs. Mary Sullivan	Commercial	Burdett College Normal School *Boston University *Boston College
Mr. Linwood R. Wallace	Industrial Arts	Gorham State Teachers College, B.S.
Mr. John Trumbull	Social Studies	University of Massachusetts, B.A.

Name	Subjects	Where Educated
Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager	English, Latin Speech	Bates College, A.B. Boston University, M.A. Summer Session, U.M.
Mrs. Janet L. Young	English	*University of Illinois Indiana University, A.B.
Mrs. Ruth Young	Business, Mathematics	American International College, B.S., M.A. *University of Mass. Extension
Miss Dorothy Eccles	Music Supervisor	New England Conservatory *Boston University Summer School
Miss Bessie Moore	Art Supervisor	Fitchburg Normal School Columbia Teachers College, B.S., M.A.

School Nurse

Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R. N.

Custodians

Mr. Edward Fortier, Head
Mr. Ning Der

School Doctor

Dr. Ansel B. True

Cafeteria Workers

Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head
Mrs. Nellie Barber
Mrs. Olive Stone

*Attended without graduation

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958

Balance on hand December 31, 1957		86,644.87

RECEIPTS

Proceeds of $150,00 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing Jan. 10, 1958—cost on Oct. 10, 1957	$148,663.50	
Interest received	1,336.50	
		150,000.00
Proceeds of $50,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing April 17, 1958—cost on Jan. 20, 1958	49,697.92	
Interest received	302.08	
		50,000.00
Received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as follows:		
Reimbursement and aid on construction of school		43,785.66
Reimbursement for transportation of pupils		24,702.42
Distribution of U.S. Grant of George Barden Funds:		
For salary and travel of Agricultural Instructor	4,250.00	
For salaries of Evening Practical Arts Instructors	1,100.00	
		5,350.00
Interest on deposits in savings banks		2,428.44
Assessments received from towns as follows:		
Bernardston	69,512.58	
Northfield	113,812.41	
Warwick	25,356.06	
		208,681.05
School lunch collections and allotments from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts		18,398.17
Athletic Fund receipts		801.05
The Recorder Publishing Co.—rebate of 1957 charges		2.18
Tuition received as follows:		
Town of Erving	307.75	
Town of Leyden	4,187.37	
Town of Guilford, Vt.	316.06	
		4,811.18

Miscellaneous receipts as follows:			
Use of building	237.50		
Evening registrations, tuitions	606.30		
Collections for breakage and sale of materials	384.03		
		1,227.83	
Total Receipts			510,187.98
			$598,832.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase of $50,00 U. S. Treasury Bills due April 17, 1958 @ 99.395833		$49,697.92
Salary and travel expenses of vocational agriculture teacher		4,167.07
Cafeteria salaries and supplies		19,191.39
School Athletic Fund—transportation, referee charges and miscellaneous expenses		893.51
Salaries of Evening Practical Arts instructors		825.00
Operating Budget:		
General Control	7,160.20	
Expenses of Instruction	81,201.17	
Student Supplies	5,574.64	
Textbooks	2,875.62	
Operation of School Plant	22,947.34	
Maintenance of School Plant	134.72	
Auxiliary Agencies	7,691.39	
Transportation	27,722.11	
		155,307.19
School Construction Account:		
Construction	62,003.51	
Equipment	19,546.42	
Insurance	26.34	
		81,576.27
Redemption of $5,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.20% School bonds dated May 1, 1955, and due May 1, 1958		5,000.00
Redemption of $70,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.75% School bonds dated July 1, 1956, and due July 1, 1958		70,000.00
Interest on Pioneer Valley Regional School District bonds as follows:		
due May 1, 1958 on $80,000	880.00	
due Nov. 1, 1958 on $75,000	825.00	
due Jan. 1, 1958 on $1,280,000	17,600.00	
due July 1, 1958 on $1,280,000	17,600.00	
		36,905.00
Total disbursements		423,563.35

Balance on hand as follows:		
Cash in checking account	103,682.97	
Reserve for maturing debt (Savings deposits)	71,586.53	
		175,269.50
		$598,832.85

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING,
Treasurer

The Following Budgets Have Been Adopted by the Committee:

CAPITAL BUDGET

Maturing Debt, May 1959		5,000.00
Maturing Debt, July 1959		70,000.00
Interest $75,000 May	825.00	
Interest $70,000 November	770.00	
Interest $1,210,000 January	16,637.50	
Interest $1,210,000 July	16,637.50	
		34,870.00
Total Capital Budget		109,870.00
Against this amount we are applying:		
State Aid Building Reimbursement	43,785.66	
Appropriate from		
Savings Interest and Interest on Treasury Bills	3,800.00	
Reserve for Maturing Debt	9,000.00	
		56,585.66
From Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick		53,284.34

OPERATING BUDGET

General Control	7,900.00
Instruction	103,698.00
Student Supplies	5,000.00
Text Books	2,500.00
Operation of School Plant	27,000.00
Maintenance	500.00
Auxiliary Agencies	8,050.00
Transportation	30,000.00
Adult Education	1,000.00
County Assessments	787.12
	186,435.12

Less Following Credits:		
Anticipated Revenue		
Transportation	22,500.00	
Tuition	6,492.02	
Geo. Barden Funds	2,933.00	
Ev. Prac. Art	100.00	
Adult Classes	500.00	
		32,525.02
Net Operating Budget		153,910.10

Registration	Oct. 1	Dec. 1	Capital Percentage
Northfield	187	186	57.7
Bernardston	111	112	30.8
Warwick	45	44	11.5
	343	342	100.0

TOWN SHARES

	Northfield	Bernardston	Warwick	Total
Capital	30,745.06	16,411.58	6,127.70	53,284.34
Operating	83,807.98	50,105.04	19,997.08	153,910.10
Total	114,553.04	66,516.62	26,124.78	207,194.44

Playground Committee Report

Northfield's first town-supported summer playground program extended for four weeks, July 7 to August 1. The Director was William R. Compton of Mount Hermon, assisted by Joyce E. Fuller and Sally Sheldon of Northfield. Designed for older children on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and for the younger children on Tuesday and Thursday, the daily program ran from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon daily. A total of 115 children registered for the program, and the average daily attendance was 38 for both the younger and the older groups.

The daily program consisted of individual and group games, arts and crafts, special projects, and special programs and contests.

The Committee feels that the program was successful in filling a need for organized part time summer recreation for Northfield children. The Committee recommends a similar appropriation of $500.00 for 1959, and that the age limit be lowered one year to include children ready to enter the first grade.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM H. HAWLEY, Chairman
ELIZABETH D. SCOTT, Secretary
DOROTHY M. HAMMOND

Water Purchase Committee

The Committee feels the town should make some move to secure control of the Northfield Water Co. to safeguard its future supply and when the price seems in line with facilities as at the present.

The Committee considers the asking price as fair and reasonable and the fact remains that eventually if not taken over by the town or a water district this business may go to outside interests who may not continue the dependable service a reasonable rates as have the present owners.

In many ways there might be advantages to actual town ownership with town personnel in either highway or fire departments who could look after many details without costing the town much extra. We do have to supply full time work for many of these men and much maintenance could be done in off seasons from other work.

The town also, in this case could utilize the approximately $14,000 in the Rehabilitation Fund and would have then to float a much smaller bond issue.

It seems reasonable to expect this department can be operated on a self-supporting basis and this committee strongly recommends this be done. That all water revenue be utilized only for water purposes and that all maintenance and costs be paid from these funds. Then even if the town did buy it, the people receiving service would be paying the bills from water rent paid.

From the balance sheets for the past years of the Northfield Water Co. they have always made a reasonable profit and at least one of their big business expenses has been taxes—Town, State and Federal income taxes. This past year these costs amounted to slightly more than $1016. The town, of course, would lose $686 in taxes whether town or district owned, but this tax cost would not enter into costs of the department and even if less efficiently operated it does not seem likely it would cost $1000 more to operate per year than under present ownership.

It takes a special bill through legislature to set up a water district and might require six or more months to organize. This Committee feels the town should now vote to buy this property while it is available and at a fair price. If town ownership is not desired by the majority then a water district should be set up as soon as possible and bonded to replace to the town all costs in relation to this purchase.

We all agree that eventually facilities will have to be increased and either through the planning board or a water commission, a long range program should be set up with plans to try to keep this department on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Property values and insurance rates of our entire Main Street here in Northfield, including all town-owned buildings, as well as most of the side and back streets are dependent on good water service. The

possibility of ever getting new business into town and supplying new homes depends on water. We recommend the town vote to buy this water supply now and then vote for a program to insure its care.

Respectfully submitted

CORYS M. HESELTON, Chairman
LEE H. SHELDON
HARVEY H. HATHEWAY

ASSETS OF NORTHFIELD WATER COMPANY

162 Acres of land including the reservoir and in 3 lots which join.

165 Customers

150 Meters in Operation 6-8 extras

16 Fire Hydrants

Approximate measurements of pipes:

1.3 Miles of 6 Inch Cast Iron Mains (Reservoir to Main St.)

.9 Miles of 6 Inch Transite Mains (Main St.—Dick Hillers to Samuel Lane House)

1790 Feet of 4 Inch Transite Mains

5649 Feet of 2 Inch Galvanized Mains

Price asked as of March 1, 1959: $25,000.00

NORTHFIELD WATER COMPANY

Northfield Water Company

NORTHFIELD, MASS.

Statement of Operations
For the Year Ended December 31, 1958

Water Rents	$4,044.30	
Interest	78.59	
		$4,122.89
Operating Expense:		
Operation and Maintenance	1,142.31	
General Expense	794.32	
State Taxes	45.36	
Town Taxes	688.60	
Federal Income Taxes	282.95	
Depreciation	509.12	
		$3,462.62
		660.23
Less: Dividends Paid		630.00
Balance to Surplus		$ 30.23

Northfield Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the the county of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday the second day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year;

Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, and one Member of the Planning Board for five years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are also directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 3, 1959, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1959, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the

General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1959.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To hear the report of the Finance Committee with regard to their recommendations for changes in salaries of Town Officers.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman	$375	$75
Other Members	325	75
Assessors		
Each Member	100	
School Committee		
Each Member	100	
Moderator		$ 25
Treasurer		950
Tax Collector		1,000
Town Clerk		550
P.V.R.S. Committee		
Each Member		100

Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Moderator Salary	$25
Expense	15
Selectmen & Welfare Board	
Salary	1,250
Expense	350
Town Accountant Salary	1,000
Expense	75
Legal Expense	250
Treasurer Salary	950
Expense	400
Assessors Salary	900
Expense	300
Finance Committee Expense	25
Town Clerk Salary	550
Expense	100
Elections & Registrations	900
Planning Board Expense	50
Town Hall Maintenance	5,300
Constable Pay, Exp. & Equip.	750
Fire Dept. Salaries	250
Fire Dept. Operating Acct.	2,550
Water Holes	200
Public Safety	50
Wire Inspector	50
Sealer of W. & M. Sal. & Exp.	200
Tree Warden Acct	800
Dog Officer & Exp.	175
Public Health	1,300
Nurse & Substitute	2,800
Expense	75
Car Expense	300
Inspection of Animals	200
Insp. Meat & Slaughter	50

Mach. Maint. Acct. (Transfer from Road Mach. Fund	5,000
Hwy. Supt. Expense	125
Tools for Hwy. Work	100
Snow Removal	8,000
Hwy. Bounds, Surveys & Plans	250
Pub. Welfare Adm.	3,000
General Relief	4,000
Old Age Assistance	39,000
Aid to Dep. Children ...	4,000
Disability Assistance	2,500
Soldier's Relief	2,500
School Committee Salary	300
P.V.R.S. Committee Salary	300
Elementary Schools	97,000
Tax Collector (Salary)	1,000
P.V.R.S.D Capital Budget	30,745.06
P.V.R.S.D. Oper. Budget	83,807.98
Alexander Hall	250
Fire & Casualty Ins.	6,135
Interest	300
Damages	300
Town Clock & Fountain .	125
Town Reports	900
Foreclosure Cost Tax Titles	300
Prot. Tax Title Property	25
Memorial Day Celebration	275
Fence Viewers	25
Field Drivers	25
Fire Station Bonds	
Maturing Debt	3,000
Interest	1,116
(Expense)	500

Article 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money or otherwise provide for the purchase of a check writer for the Town Treasurer, or act theron.

The Finance Committee recommends $120.00

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $700.00 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

The Finance Committee recommends $700.00

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,185.00

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 to pay Howard Williams salary as Forest Warden for the Year 1957, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,900.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to combat Dutch Elm Disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,200.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for insect pest control and other public nuisances, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Tree Warden to start a Tree Nursery on School Street in the rear of the Fire Station and to purchase lining out stock and materials as required for the same, to provide shade tree replacements as needed to replace those lost by disease and other causes, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $365.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4,950.00 and to transfer $18,150.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4,000.00 and to transfer $12,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $1500.00 and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $3,000.00.

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for bridges, railings and highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $3,500.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs and new construction of sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,000.00

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6,586.00 for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $6,586.

Article 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $6,000.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, transfer, or otherwise convey all right title and interest of the Town in the West Northfield School so-called, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for necessary repairs to discontinued School Buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,200.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund to purchase additional land, .26 acres more or less described as follows: Beginning at a point in the easterly side of Gill Road so-called said point being the southwest corner of the Mount Hermon Cemetery; thence southerly along land of Louis F. and Elsie L. Davis 93.70 feet to a corner; thence westerly along land conveyed by David Stevens to Richard Bassett in 1958 135.78 feet to the easterly line of the Gill Road; thence northerly in the easterly line of the Gill Road 80.59 feet to the place of beginning, situated south of the Mount Hermon Cemetery, to be used for cemetery purposes or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 34 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 4, 1958 to study the advisability of purchasing the Northfield Water Company, or act thereon.

Article 32. To see if the Town will authorize the purchase of the Northfield Water Company and raise by taxation and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, or borrow any sum or sums of money, for the payment thereof, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends further study.

Article 33. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for 16 hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will transfer the balance from the appropriation for the purchase of the four-wheel drive truck (Article 1, Special Town Meeting Nov. 24, 1958) to Machinery Maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Article 35. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to investigate the possibility and advisability of moving the Belcher Memorial Fountain to reduce the hazardous traffic condition at the intersection of Warwick and Parker Avenues and Main Street, or act thereon.

Article 36. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 41, Section 97 of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of a Police Chief, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to recondition the drain thru the ditch lot so-called, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $60.00 to pay a bill for an estimate of necessary repairs to the Town Clock, submitted December 18, 1958 by Howard Clock Products, Inc., or act thereon.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $3,000.00

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1959 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $25,000.00

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices at Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, and Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine.

ROBERT P. BARNES

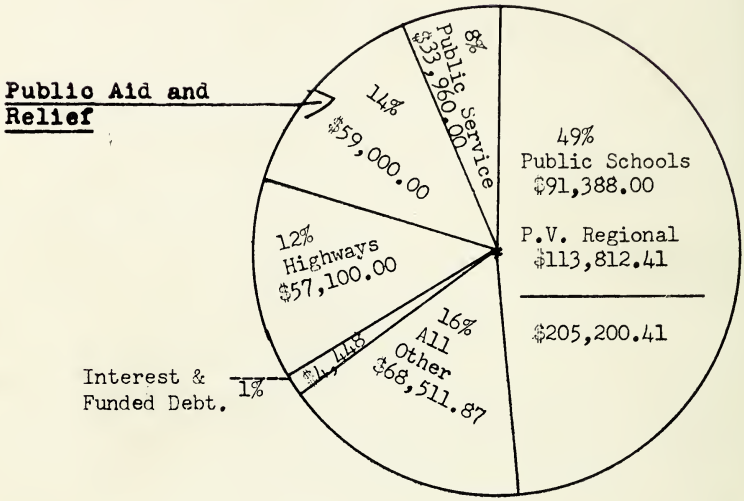
STANLEY WICKEY

CORYS M. HESELTON

Selectmen of Northfield

ed I. Bolton

1958 TOWN EXPENDITURES



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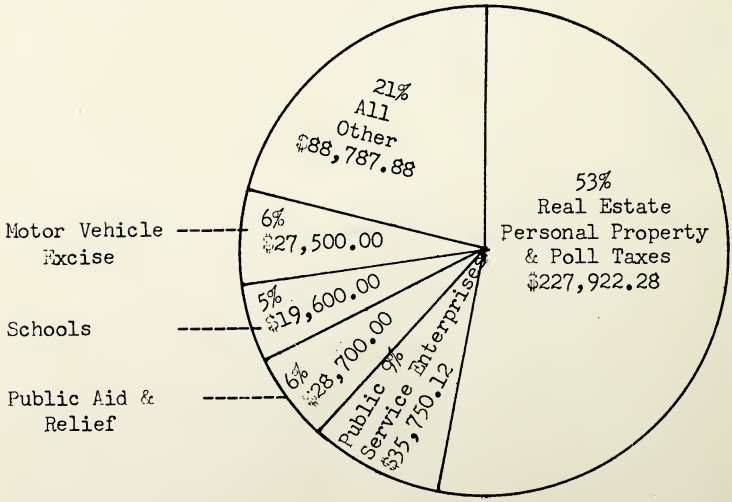

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